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ABEL-SMITH—January 13, 1924, at 44 Stanford rd., London, W.8, to Lilias, the wife of Lieutenant-Colonel G. S. Abel-Smith, C.M.G., D.S.O.; a daughter.

BUTTANSHAW—January 20, 1924, at 15 Oaklands Park, Ballsbridge, the wife of Cyril Buttanshaw, of a son.

HENDERSON—January 19, 1924, at Mrs. Webb's Catherine st. Nursing Home Waterford, to Mr. and Mrs. R. Henderson, Piltown, a son.

HOBBS—January 16, 1924, at Cairo, the wife of Major H. F. C. Hobbs, West Yorkshire Regiment (attached Egyptian Army), a son.

PARK—January 20, 1924, at 89 Lower Baggot st., Dublin, the wife of C. T. Park, Esq., Bengal Pilot Service, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

CUMBERLEGE and PERRY—January 5, 1924, at the Church of Corpus Christi, Maiden Lane, London, by the Rev. J. Keirney, Leslie F. Cumberlege, sixth son of Charles F. Cumberlege, Ealing, London, to Mabel, youngest daughter of the late George Perry, 48 Palmerston rd., Dublin.

DUNN and MAY—January 14, 1924, at Star of the Sea Church, Sandymount, by the Rev. C. Ridgeway, P.P., Paul Matthew, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dunn, Rosslyn Park, Sandymount, to Silvia Maude, daughter of the late Albert Victor May and Mrs. Mazennis, Vellore, Greystones.

WILSON and CALDBECK—December 22, 1923, at Trinity Episcopal Church, San Francisco, California, by the Rev. Charles Deems, Samuel J. Wilson, of Portland, Oregon, son of George Wilson, Knockallen, Co. Kilkenny, to Frances A. (Pritsie), daughter of the late Thomas Caldbeck, The Cottage, Tullow, Co. Carlow.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 4.

CLERKE—January 19, 1924, Alex. Francis, loved husband of Lilla M. Clerke, and dearly-loved last surviving son of Ellen Ada Clerke, Dunluce, Bray, and the late J. S. Clerke, Mountford, Longford, Tasmania. Funeral 11.45 from Adelaide Hospital.

CREAN—January 21, 1924, at Dublin, Rose Agnes (Rosie), dearly-loved youngest daughter of the late Dr. John Crean Summer Hill, Wexford. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing mother, sister, and brother. R.I.P. Interment at Crosstown Cemetery on arrival of 10.40 train from Harcourt st. to-morrow (Wednesday), 23rd inst.

CRONIN—January 21, 1924, at his residence, North Lodge, Newry, Patrick Cronin, in his 93rd year. R.I.P. Funeral to family burying ground, Old Chapel, to-morrow (Wednesday at 2.30 p.m. No flowers.

DALY—January 21, 1924, at the residence of her nephew, Rushvee House, Slane, Mrs. Rose Daly, widow of the late Charles Daly, West st., Drogheda. R.I.P. Requiem Office and High Mass at Rushvee Church to-morrow (Wednesday) at 11 o'clock. Funeral afterwards, at 1 o'clock, to Geronstown Cemetery.

DAY—January 19, 1924, at Culloden, Bray, Katherine, widow of the late Maurice W. Day, Dean of Waterford, and daughter of Charles and Catherine Garát, of Queenstown, aged 56 years. Funeral Service at 12 noon to-day (Tuesday) at the Cathedral, Waterford, leaving immediately after for the Cemetery, Waterford.

DEDRICKSON—January 20, 1924, at 27 Hatch st. (the residence of her brother-in-law, Charles Leeper), Harriet Frances, loved wife of Robert Dedrickson, of Kilcoo House, Athy, and youngest daughter of the late Richard Crampton Walker, of Fonthill Abbey, Rathfarnham. Funeral private. No flowers.

DOUGLAS—January 21, 1924, at Charleville, Enniskerry, James Douglas, beloved brother of Amy Douglas, aged 77 years. Funeral leaving to-morrow (Wednesday) morning at 11.30 o'clock for Powerscourt Church.

KISSAN—January 19, 1924, at a Nursing Home in London, after an operation, Kathleen Elizabeth, the beloved wife of Bernard William Kissan, and eldest daughter of the late Sir A. M. B. Irwin, C.S.I., aged 38.

LLOYD—January 19, 1924, at Ardsallagh, Sidney Parade, Anne, widow of the late William James Lloyd, Bank of Ireland. Funeral private. "With Christ, which is far better."

LOW—January 21, 1924, at 37 Cadogan square, London, Louisa Henrietta Low, youngest daughter of Mrs. Low, of 37 Cadogan square, and Silliahertane, Co. Kerry, and of the late Francis Wise Low, of Kilshane, Tipperary. No flowers.

NOLAN—January 21, 1924, at her residence, 17 Belvidere rd., after a short illness, Mary, widow of the late Richard Nolan (for many years Chief Engineer, *Freeman's Journal*). Deeply regretted by her sorrowing brother and a large circle of friends. R.I.P. Funeral on Thursday, after 9 o'clock Mass, from St. Xavier's Church, Gardiner st., for interment in family plot, Glasnevin.

POOLE—January 8, 1924, at 48 Clarke av., Niagara Falls, Canada, John Poole, late of York rd., Kingstown. "Thy will be done."

PORTER—January 20, 1924, at 40 Sandford rd., Dublin, Sarah Elizabeth, widow of the late Robert Porter, Bank of Ireland.

ROBINSON—January 20, 1924, at Kingstown, M. A. (Polly) Robinson, late of 24 Stephen's Green, Dublin. Funeral (private) to Mount Jerome this (Tuesday) morning.

SPROULE—January 19, 1924, at Sandycove av., West, Sandycove, Margery, third daughter of the late James and Margery Sproule, Limerick. Funeral strictly private. No flowers, by expressed desire.

SYMMONS—At 113 Philipsburgh av., Fairview, after a long illness, Edyth Hilda, dearly-loved and loving eldest daughter of Edward B. and A. M. Symmons, aged 24. Deeply mourned. "For so He giveth His beloved sleep." Funeral to-morrow (Wednesday) morning to George's Burial Ground 9 o'clock.

TAYLOR—January 21, 1924, at her daughter's residence, 12 Somerset st., South Lotts rd., Catherine Taylor, late of 43 Harold's Cross. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing family. "Peace, perfect peace." Funeral from above address to Mount Jerome 10.30 to-morrow (Wednesday) morning.

TISDALL—January 19, 1924, at her daughter's residence, "Eierene" Nursing Home, Flora Atwood, dearly-loved wife of Thomas C. Tisdall, York Villa, 100 Earlswood rd., Belfast. Funeral private. No flowers.

TRACEY—January 21, 1924, at Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital, after a long illness, Margaret, dearly-beloved wife of William Tracey, Barnacullia, Sandyford. Deeply regretted by her husband, sons, and daughters. "The Lord giveth, the Lord taketh away, blessed be the name of the Lord." Funeral from Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital to-morrow (Wednesday), 12 noon, for Kilternan.

TRENCH—January 20, 1924, at her residence, 2 Vesey place, Kingstown, Charlotte Henrietta, only surviving daughter of the late John Eyre Trench, Clonfert, Co. Galway, aged 83. "Peace, perfect peace." Funeral 10.30 to-morrow (Wednesday) morning to St. John's Church, afterwards to Mount Jerome.

WESTERN—January 19, 1924, at his residence, 34 Mill st., Dublin, after a brief illness, Henry Western, late cutter of Messrs. Arnott and Co. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife and relatives. Funeral leaves above address for Mount Jerome 10.30 to-day (Tuesday).

WHITFIELD—January 21, 1924, at Corofin, Greystones, Co. Wicklow, Jane Charlotte Whitfield, widow of Edward Whitfield. Funeral to-morrow (Wednesday), 23rd, leaving Greystones 9 a.m., arriving Mount Jerome 10 a.m.

WOOLFSON—January 18, 1924, at his residence, 88 Donore tce., Zorah Woolfson. Deeply mourned by his wife and family.

IN MEMORIAM.

CRAINE—In loving memory of my dear mother, Elizabeth Craine, who was called Home on January 22nd, 1922. Inserted by her loving daughter, Sadie.

CRAINE—Second Anniversary—In memory of mother, who was called Home on 22nd January, 1922.

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And hold sweet converse free from pain,
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CULVERWELL—First Anniversary—In sad and loving memory of our dear daughter, Violet, of 5 Grangegorman Villas, who departed this life on 22nd January, 1923.

"A few more years shall roll
On this wild, rocky shore,
And we shall be with those we love
Asleep within the tomb."

CULVERWELL—First Anniversary—In loving memory of our dear sister, Violet, who fell asleep January 22, 1923.

"Not dead to those who loved her,
Not lost, but gone before."
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CULVERWELL—In ever-loving memory of our beloved sister, Violet, who fell asleep in Jesus 22nd January, 1922. "God shall wipe all tears from their eyes; there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain." Rev. xxi. 4.—Alice and Jim.

HILL—In loving memory of Elizabeth (Bessie), dearly-loved wife of Roger Hill, who entered into rest on the 22nd January, 1918.

HOWE—In loving remembrance of Mary Josephine Howe, who died on the 20th January, 1910, at Caherciveen, Co. Kerry. Much lamented by her parents, brothers, and relatives. R.I.P.

MILLER—In ever-loving memory of Alicia, wife of T. W. Miller, 56 Lower Beechwood av., who departed this life January 22nd, 1919.

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TAILORING—Branch Managers required as cutters; experience absolutely necessary; fullest particulars first letter.—E 1715, this office 18 O

WANTED, Foreman for Sawmill. Apply, stating qualifications and experience, with wages asked, to Manager, Lissadell, Slico. T

WANTED, Boy and Girl Apprentices for Drapery and Boot Warehouse, country town, Midlands; three years; with fee; Protestant. Address "Z 4053, Apprentices," this office. 8 16

WANTED at once, good writer, piecework, city office.—E 1575, this office. 19 B

WANTED, reliable Charge Hand for Grocery Department; salary £90 (indoor). Address, enclosing copies of references, stating age and religion "Z 4205, Cisagre Hand," this office. 18 C

WHOLESALE Clothing Buyer—McBriney and Co., Ltd., require an experienced and competent Man for this position.—Aston's quay, Dublin. 18 O

WANTED, Lady Help, I.C., assist with three children, under five, and give first lessons. Address "Z 4245, Help," this office. 19 D

WANTED, Clerk with experience of Wholesale Motor Business, with knowledge of shorthand, typewriting. Reply, with copies of testimonials, stating age and salary expected, to 1899, this office. 21 E

WANTED, Post Office Assistant Female, with thorough knowledge of post office work; state salary.—E 1911, this office. 21 C

WANTED, shorthand Typist for City Office; state age and full particulars.—E 1884, this office.

WANTED, superior Girl (16) to train as Mother's Help, Rathgar.—E 1855, this office. 21 C

SITUATIONS CONTINUED.

WANTED, competent Assistant (young) for Millinery Workroom.—Barry, 25 St. Stephen's Green. 21 O

WANTED, smart, intelligent Youth for light business; state age and where educated.—E 1872, this office. 21 E

WANTED, Protestant Mother's Help; small family; no maid. Address, stating age, salary, and references, "Z 4283, Mother's Help," this office. 21 C

WANTED, young Useful Help to assist with housework and invalid; good home, wages; Terenure. Reply, copy references, E 1921, this office. 19 D

YOUNG Girl Wanted for Cash and Accounts; state age, salary and experience. Apply "Cash," Irish Times Branch Office, Dun Laoghaire. 21 E

MONEY, PARTNERSHIPS, ETC.

EX-R.I.C. and Military Vouchers Cashed without delay at 32 South Frederick st., Dublin. 18 C

EX-ARMY Officers and R.I.C. granted Loans upon security of their pension orders.—Northern Counties' Loan and Discount Co., Ltd., Cathedral Buildings, Donegall street, Belfast. 18 21

IRISH Mortgage Company—Mortgages arranged from £200. Apply 18 Lower Ormond quay. X

LOANS—The Commercial Union Loan and Discount Co., Ltd., 57 Middle Abbey street, Dublin, grant Loans. Apply to Manager. 17 B

WANTED, a Working Partner in a good going concern; one with mechanical engineering experience preferred; capable; required profits guaranteed.—E 1870, this office. 21 E

HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS, OFFICIALS, SERVANTS, ETC.

POSITIONS VACANT.

LINEN Keeper Required for large City Hotel; must be first class needlewoman, capable and energetic. Apply, with copies of references, stating age and salary expected, to E 1939, this office. 21 E

WANTED, Lady, Dunngrosn Superintendent, also relieve in Stores and Office. Apply St. Andrew's Hotel. 18 C

WANTED, experienced Waitress for Hotel Russell, Harcourt street. Apply, mornings, Manageress. 21 D

WANTED for Grand Hotel, Wicklow, a good, reliable young Cook; must know her business thoroughly. 21 E

WANTED, respectable Housemaid Waitress, experienced, for country hotel. Address "Z 4289, Maid," this office. 21 C

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

EXPERIENCED Girl seeks situation Waitress, Hotel or Club. Address "Z 4233, Waitress," this office. 18 D

MANAGERESS disengaged; nine years first class Hotels, good cutter, carver, books and buys; full control over staff, etc.; highest references.—E 1826, this office. 21

WAITRESS, experienced, well recommended, disengaged 25th. Apply Mayfair Hotel, 30 Lower Baggot st. 20 C

YOUNG Girl, train Waitress, hotel or club; good references.—E 1861, this office. 21 E

REPRESENTATIVES WANTED.

TRAVELLER WANTED.

THE IRISH CIDER CO., Ltd., Portadown, are prepared to appoint, on a commission basis, a suitable TRAVELLER for the Province of Connaught for the Sale of Grew's Cider. Applications will only be considered from men of first-class connections amongst the Liquor Trade, and it would be desirable if applicants had other Agencies.
Apply, in writing, to
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PORTADOWN. 20 C

ENERGETIC Traveller, with established connection required by Firm of Dublin Wholesale Confectioners on salary and commission; state experience and estimated weekly turnover.—E 1812, this office. 19 B

ENAMELS—Representatives Wanted for the Sale of high class Enamel Paints; good connection essential. Apply Box No. 139, W. H. Smith and Son, Strand House, London, W.C. 2.

FLOUR Trade—Wanted for Dublin and district, energetic Man for Sale of Flour, Bran, Pollard, Offaleys, etc.; experienced person given preference and liberally dealt with on commission basis.—E 1743, this office.

LEADING Manufacturer of Mirrors, Overmantels, Bevelled and Silver Plate Glass, etc., require thoroughly competent Representative and Traveller for Ireland; commission basis only.—E 1758, this office. 19 D

LARGE English Fort Flour Mill, with established brands of flour in Ireland, requires first-class energetic Salesmen for part of Counties Dublin, Wicklow, and Cavan, also for Co. Waterford and Tipperary; knowledge of the flour trade essential. Address "Z 4238, Salesmen," this office. 19 D

AGENCIES AND SITUATIONS WANTED.

DRAPERY—Young expert Salesman would assist Agent; excellent wholesale and retail connection, Dublin and South; Testotaller; commission.—E 1693, this office. 21 E

GENTLEMAN, twelve years' experience Drapery, including travelling, desires post Assistant to Manufacturer's Agent or Traveller; smart, reliable; excellent references. Address "Z 4258, Assistant," this office. 20 D

GENTLEMAN (Protestant) travelling experience, desires become Manufacturer's Agent's Assistant, view Partnership later; Food Products preferred; driving motor, reliable, keen; excellent references.—E 1917, this office. 21 E

LEGAL APPOINTMENTS.

ASSISTANT Solicitor required for Local Courts and General Practice in Southern town; state experience, if any; moderate salary. Apply E 1779, this office. 19

BOOKKEEPER Wanted for Solicitor's Office, in Midland town; must have a knowledge of costs. Address, stating age, experience, and salary expected, "Z 4282, Bookkeeper," this office. 21 B

CONDUCTING Clerk (Protestant), experienced in all branches, but especially Land Commission, Probate, and Costs, Wanted for Dublin office; good salary to suitable man; state salary expected and experience.—E 1817, this office. 21 C

DUBLIN Solicitor, University Graduate, desires position as Assistant Solicitor, salary £5 5/- per week; excellent testimonials.—E 1549, this office. 21 E

SOLICITOR, exceptional testimonials, city experience, desires Assistantship; salary £4; outlines; Dublin or Belfast preferred.—E 1638, this office. 18 C

WANTED immediately, first class Managing Assistant, with knowledge of complete control office, Southern town; salary £5 5/- to suitable man; send testimonials, experience. Address "Z 4084, Assistant," this office. 15 B

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

BOOKKEEPER (D.E.), 11 years' experience all branches, shorthand, etc., presently engaged, desires change; exceptional references. Address "Z 4255, Bookkeeper," this office. 20 D

BUILDERS' Estimating Clerk requires position; competent man.—E 1237, this office. 19 B

BOOKKEEPER, Typist, shorthand, English (male, 25); first class testimonials; 4½, progressive.—E 1824, this office. 21 C

CARPENTER will work for private places, cheap; Glasshouses erected; neatness, accuracy guaranteed.—McLaughlin, Windy Arbour. 21 E

DRAUGHTSMAN will undertake Drawings, Tracings, etc., spare time; reasonable.—E 1723, this office.

EX-OFFICIAL (British Army) seeks position, Secretary, Clerk, Groom or similar appointment; good horseman, farmer, knowledge secretarial duties. Address "Z 4269, Position," this office.

GENTLEMAN, ex-Service, Londoner, Irish extraction, Grade age 47, single, seeks employment as Audit Clerk, Cashier, or Accountant; 30 years' excellent experience. Hartwell, 4 Markham square, Chelsea, London. 17 D

IRISHMAN, 26, I.C., ex-Officer, retired Army, banking and city mining experience, desires position of trust with good business house, city or provincial; highest reference.—Box No. 1238, Irish Times Branch Office, Belfast.

LADY Housekeeper, Protestant, good cook, dairy, to gentleman; state salary.—E 1586, this office.

LADY Shorthand Typist desires position; good reference.—E 1807, this office. 21 C

LADY Housekeeper (Protestant) seeks post, thoroughly capable; maids kept.—684, Wilde's Office, Bray. 21 C

MRS. Morrogh Ryan wishes to recommend a young Parisian Girl as Companion for girl from 12 to 15 years; can teach French conversation, pianoforte; beautiful needlewoman and good at games, etc. Reply Mrs. Morrogh Ryan, Dunboyne Castle, Dunboyne. 21 E

RESPECTABLE Girl wishes Apprenticeship to Milliner; city; highly recommended.—R O 1773, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines. 20 D

RESPECTABLE young Man wants position Clerk, Storeman, Checker, or Cashier; excellent recommendations; moderate.—E 1868, this office. 21 C

SHORTHAND Typist and Office Assistant Desires position; six years' experience; excellent references.—E 1576, this office. 17 C

SHORTHAND Typist and Bookkeeper—Young Lady, with long experience in Solicitor's Office, country town, at present engaged, desires change, or would go as Improver; highest reference. Address "Z 4102, Lady," this office. 16 B

SHORTHAND, Typist, having three years' experience in insurance and income tax office, desires post. Reply, this office. 19 D

SHORTHAND Typist and Bookkeeper—Young Lady, C.I., with over eleven years' experience Solicitor's Office, country town, first-class; highest reference. Address "Z 4288, Typist," this office. 21 E

TWO Railway Clerks with over 10 years' service on principal Irish Railway, would resign in favour of positions with good prospects in Dublin Firm or Office; highest testimonials; references obtainable from railway company. Address "Z 4095, Clerks," this office.

TEACHER would write up books, correspondence, evenings; moderate.—560, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot street Bridge.

WELL educated, energetic Youth seeks position; knowledge of shorthand, typewriting, and bookkeeping.—E 1813, this office. 19 D

WELL educated young Man wishes to hear of Office Work, or would go as Tutor to family; excellent teacher of drawing, Irish, etc. Address Box No. 1236, Irish Times Branch Office, Belfast.

YOUNG Girl (16), well educated, leaving school, wants Office Work.—E 1767, this office. 18 C

YOUNG Lady desires position as Lady's Companion and Governess; teach first lessons; country preferred.—E 1808, this office.

YOUNG Man anxious for employment; well recommended; has had good work in stores or any indoor work.—E 1903, this office. 21 E

YOUNG Girl, well educated, desires a position as Mother's Help; teach first lessons, also Irish; splendid, fond of work; excellent references. Address "Z 4290, Help," this office.

MALE SERVANTS WANTED.

CAN Clergyman recommend Protestant Boy, age 14, as General Help for land steward's house; comfortable home, some wages Address "Z 4278, Boy," this office. 21 C

WANTED, competent single Man for Herd and General Farm Work; must be good milker and understand cattle and sheep. Address, stating wages required and all particulars, to "Z 4217, Man," this office. 18 B

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS WANTED.

LAND Steward required to superintend demesne, and woodland, together with small home farm. Send particulars of qualifications and references to E 1874, this office. 21 X

MAN Wanted, Protestant, middleaged, Gardening, Mills, generally useful. Address "Z 4253, Man," this office. 19 D

WANTED, Single-handed Gardener, near Drogheda; greenhouse fruit, flowers, vegetables; free house, wood fitting; good couple; state wages. Address "Z 4043, Gardener," this office. 14 B

WANTED, Co. Kildare, good Working Gardener (R.C.), understanding all branches; man with son for yard and milking preferred; state wages, send copies; house and garden free. Address "Z 4192, Gardener," this office. 17 C

WANTED for Co. Kilkenny, Steward Herd, married, no family preferred; send copies papers, state age and wages. Address "Z 4291, Steward," this office. 21 E

MALE SERVANTS DISENGAGED.

A GOOD country Boy seeks a situation as Tardboy; understands cattle and horses; live indoor. Apply to Martin Hamilton, Lusbeg, Newcastle, Co. Wicklow.

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LADY SUPERINTENDENT. 21 A

AN experienced Nurse Attendant Companion wishes change, position trust; needlewoman, useful.—E 1603, this office. 17 B

AN Apprentice, R.C. Male, to Pharmaceutical Chemist (South), indoor; fee required; prelim. exam. Address "Z 4245, Apprentice," this office. 10 21

A QUALIFIED Dental Surgeon has vacancy for a Pupil.—E 1771, this office. 19 B

CAPABLE Assistant required, good provincial town, South, indoor or outdoor; state age, experience, salary, references. Address "Z 4237, Assistant" this office. 19 D

LADY (nursing experience) wishes post Nurse Companion or Secretary; moderate salary; city or suburbs preferred.—E 1835, this office.

MALE Apprentice Wanted for up to date Pharmacy in leading country town; indoor with fee, but outdoor preferred. Address "Z 4208, Apprentice," this office. 18 C

NURSE Attendant, would take charge invalid lady, gentleman; R.C.—E 1760, this office. 19 B

PHARMACEUTICAL Chemist, Dublin, has vacancy for Apprentice; moderate fee; outdoor.—E 1912, this office.

PHARMACEUTICAL Apprentice—Vacancy in high class Dublin suburban Pharmacy (urdoor); exceptional facilities for early qualification for smart youth.—E 1879, this office. 21 C

TRAINED Nurse, Protestant, Wanted; some night duty. Apply Matron, Home for Protestant Incurables, Cork. 17 B

WANTED, Nurse Attendant for invalid lady; good lifter and pleasant companion.—E 1843, this office.

TUITIONS AND SCHOLARSHIPS.

ALL Professional and University Prelims., Oral and Correspondence. Success list free.—McGUIRE'S COLLEGE, Sackville street, Dublin. T

BOOKKEEP.—Dublin, please return F. W. Moran's, F.C.D., Geology Notebook to him, Hythe, Hants, immediately, urgent. 18 C

DANCING Classes nightly, Private Lessons any time.—Prof. and Mrs. Graham, 55 North George's street. 26 X

ENTRANCE, Term, Degree Examinations, Trinity College; numerous successes.—Henry French, M.A., 5 Dartmouth square. 17 B

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Fine Shetland Chemise Vests, very light and warm, low necks, no sleeve or short sleeve. Clearing at 3/11½.

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Irish Hand-knit **String Gloves,** in Yellow and White. Usual price, 3/11. Sale price, 2/6½.

G3.—50 doz. Dent's 2-button Black Hand-sewn, Washable **Chamois Gloves,** very serviceable, perfect fitting. Usual prices, 6/11, 8/11. Final Sale Price, 4/11½.

G2.—30 doz. Natural and White Long Gauntlet **Deerskin Gloves,** with fringe; will wash perfectly. Usual price, 8/11. Final Sale Price, 5/6½.

20 doz. Assorted **Doeskin** and **Suede Gloves,** in shades Tan, Nigger, Brown, and Grey, to pull on and with strap. Usual prices, 7/11 and 9/11. Really Exceptional Value at final Clearance Price, 4/11½.

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CURAPEDE FOR CORNS.

ROBBER SENTENCED.

DUBLIN HOLD-UP MAN GIVEN PENAL SERVITUDE.

At the Dublin Sessions yesterday, James Freeny, who had been found guilty of having, when armed with a revolver, robbed Felix MacMahon at Millmount avenue of £50, a gold watch, and other property, was sentenced by the Recorder to four years' penal servitude, and ordered to pay a fine of £100, in default of which he would have to undergo a further year's incarceration, and be given fifteen strokes of the "cat."

Thomas Kilcoyne and Patrick Swanzy, who had been found guilty of receiving the property and harbouring Freeny, were discharged, the Recorder stating that he believed that they had merely carried out the instructions of Freeny, without any ill intention on their own part.

INSURANCE ACT INQUIRY.

APPROVED SOCIETIES' CASE.

At an inquiry in London yesterday into the remuneration of doctors under the Insurance Act, Sir Thomas Neill submitted the case of the approved societies. He stated that the societies had kept no dossier against the doctors, nor had they said anything to influence people's minds against the panel system. But they had never had the service which they were entitled to, and must have. The societies hoped that the Court would recommend the appointment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the purpose of the Insurance Acts and into local conditions and practices. The societies regarded an increase from 4s. paid prior to 1915 to 7s. in the capitation fee as being an unconscionable settlement, and declared that the latest medical regulations afforded no ground for increasing the fee.

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DUBLIN MUNICIPAL FINANCE.

APPLICATION FOR LOAN OF £40,000.

Mr. Nicholas O'Dwyer, B.E., Engineering Inspector, Local Government Department, held an inquiry at the Mansion House, Dublin, yesterday, into the application of the Corporation for a loan of £40,000 for the completion of the new reservoir at Roundwood, and for a provisional order to extend the limit of the public water rate in the city to 8d. in the £, and provide for such portion of that rate, not exceeding 7d. in the £, as the Council might determine, for the purpose of providing up-to-date equipment for the Fire Brigade.

Mr. J. C. R. Lardner, K.C., and Mr. P. O'C. White (instructed by Mr. Ignatius Rice, Law Agent) appeared on behalf of the Corporation, in support of the application.

Mr. Mangan, City Accountant, stated that the total indebtedness of the city in respect of borrowed money on 2nd January, 1924, was £2,801,731 11s. 5d., while the margin for borrowing on the same date was £1,904,787 18s. 6d. The value of the City of Dublin on 1st March, 1923, was £1,180,185 4s. 0d. The rate for the current year was 19s. 9d. in the £.

Mr. Sullivan, Waterworks Engineer, in the course of his evidence, reviewed the history of the Roundwood scheme, giving particulars of the work done by the several contractors. He said that, although their application was for £40,000, £30,000 would be sufficient to secure the total of £162,096 5s. 10d. required to complete the contracts.

In reply to Mr. W. J. Larkin, Mr. Sullivan said that the gross cost of the scheme from 1904 up to the present was, approximately, £333,000. Roughly, £166,000 had been paid in respect of a contract with Messrs. Martin for £139,000.

Mr. Larkin described the whole work as a swindle. Listening to the evidence, he thought that they were making "Bolshies" throughout the city, and causing them to sing the "Red Flag."

Mr. Sullivan said that the loan was required in order to pay for work which had been completed, and no further money would be required for the scheme.

THE FIRE BRIGADE.

In applying for a provisional order to extend the limit of the water rate to 8d. in the £, and provide such portion of the rate, not exceeding 7d. in the £, for the purpose of providing up-to-date equipment for the Fire Brigade, Mr. J. C. Lardner said that the grounds of the application were that the rate of sixpence should be increased to eightpence, and that the amount available for the Fire Brigade should be increased to fivepence. The cost of the Brigade for the past year was £22,451 19s. 1d., a figure that exceeded the sum available. Elements that would have to be considered were increases in the staff, the provision of motor transport and the abolition of horse transport, and the provision of improved fire fighting machinery.

In reply to Mr. Larkin, Mr. Lardner said that the 9s. cut proposed in the wages of the firemen had not been put into effect.

Alderman M. Staines, Chairman of the Waterworks Committee, said that the increased cost of the Fire Brigade would be £2,500. In the present year there would be a deficiency of £1,000. For the amount required, an increase of less than a penny in the £ would be sufficient, but what they asked would allow them a margin for contingencies. If the boundaries were extended, the area of the Brigade's operations would increase. They asked for an increase in the Brigade by six men, and hoped to maintain efficiency by reducing the leaves to one day in three, instead of one in four. He thought that the men would be satisfied with this if the increased wages were asked for.

Mr. G. J. Sherlock said that the Committee, in order to bring the Fire Brigade system to a high state of efficiency, had recommended an increase of six men, at a cost of £1,251 16s. 0d., an increase of £774 on the pay of existing staffs. The annual charge for repayment of principal and interest on loan for new plant was £1,036 0s. 0d., less saving by abolition of horses, £500, making the net annual increase of £2,541 16s. 0d. The estimated cost this year of the Brigade, £23,455 19s. 1d., exceeded by £1,075 19s. 1d. the maximum amount available under the limit of the Public Water Rate, so that not only was there no margin for the proposed new arrangements, but there was already an actual deficit of over £1,000 for the present year's ordinary requirements.

The conditons were exceptional in Dublin, where there were numerous tenement districts. A serious fire in any tenement house might lead to a holocaust, and the Committee felt that failure to provide for the necessary efficiency would be false economy. There was, further, the possibility of a large extension of the city boundaries, and in such a case the present voluntary service of the Fire Brigade would be transformed into an obligation.

Mr. Larkin asked if there was any real necessity for this increase of twopence in the rate.

Mr. Sherlock, in reply, said that in face of what their technical advisers said they could not do without improved apparatus.

Captain J. Myers, Chief of the Fire Brigade, in the course of his evidence, said he was in favour of the four stations as against one central station. If the district stations were abolished, there would have to be provision for the men and their wives and families. There was not sufficient accommodation at Tara street for these men, and it would be necessary to purchase property adjacent to that station. His 39 years' experience convinced him that for Dublin the existing system was the best. It made for efficiency and economy. He considered that motor-drawn fire escapes were absolutely necessary, and said that he knew of no other place but Dublin where there were horse-drawn escapes.

DEAD CATTLE ON A STEAMER.

LOSSES DURING A VOYAGE FROM IRELAND.

Mr. Thomas Henderson, in the House of Commons yesterday, asked the President of the Board of Education, as representing the Minister of Agriculture, whether he is aware that a vessel arrived at Merklands wharf, Glasgow, from a North of Ireland port on Sunday, 21st October, 1923, on board of which 60 cattle had been suffocated owing to overcrowding.

Lieutenant-Colonel Gibbs—On the 21st October, 1923, the ss. Tiger arrived at Merklands wharf, Glasgow, with the carcases of 33 cattle on board, which had either died or been slaughtered during the voyage; 23 other cattle had to be slaughtered while the boat was alongside the wharf on account of their inability to walk on shore. The Ministry made full inquiry into the matter, and was satisfied that the losses were due to extreme stress of weather experienced during the voyage. It did not appear that any of the fittings of the vessel had given way, and the ventilating arrangements were in proper working order throughout the voyage. The record of the ship has hitherto been good. The 56 carcases, when landed at Merklands, would be examined for signs of disease, but the Ministry has no information as to how these carcases were disposed of.

UNIVERSITY NEWS.

TRINITY COLLEGE, DUBLIN.

HILARY TERM, 1924.

JUNIOR SOPHISTER TERM EXAMINATION.

The following candidates have passed:—Allen, Joseph Millar; Brady, Frederick Arthur; Brown, George Raymond; Condell, William Thomas; Connell, Walter Langholm; Coulter, Geoffrey; Cranwill, Guy Bolton; Dolton, William Norman; Fitzgerald, Gerald; Gibson, Gerald Mercier; Glanville, Eva May; Keegan, Harold Vincent; Keller, Edith Geraldine; Kidd, Walter Hartland; King, William Robert; MacQuillan, Cedric Brian; MacQuillan, Eileen Anna; Mecredy Louise; Milligan, William Edward; Moore, Charlotte Elizabeth; Morrison, John; O'Sullivan, Denis Arthur; Reid, Georgina; Savage, Marion Edgar; Scott, Mary Elizabeth; Stone, Eileen.

SIZARS.

Anderson, Alfred Milburn; Mitchell, William Geddes; West, Edward Percival.

THREE MEN CHARGED WITH ROBBING A FARMER.

At a Special Court in Castlebar on Sunday, before Mr. J. J. Collins, Peace Commissioner, P. J. Clarke, Andrew Walsh and Charles Dunleavy, Bobola, were remanded to Castlebar District Court, charged with holding-up Stephen Hoban, Capporany, a farmer, and taking a shotgun from him. The gun has been recovered.

PRISONERS' FUND APPEALS.

REPLY TO PRESIDENT COSGRAVE.

Miss Kathleen Barry, General Secretary of the Irish Republican Prisoners' Dependants' Fund, has written a letter to President Cosgrave, replying to statements made in an interview with the President (issued by the Government Publicity Department), on the subject of the Prisoners' Dependents' Fund.

Miss Barry writes:—"I note that my appeal has not the approval of the Government. In view of the raids, arrests, and seizures of money and property directed against the fund by your forces prior to the 'cease fire,' and of the £5,500 of our money then seized, and since held by the Free State Government, this is not surprising.

"Having dealt, we are informed, with the history of the Irish Republican Prisoners' Dependents' Fund, you state that the organisation was seized on behalf of the irregulars on the outbreak of civil strife. I would point out to you that there was no necessity for 'seizure.' The organisation merely continued to be the Irish Republican Prisoners' Dependents' Fund, working under the same Executive as before—with the exception of the small minority of its members who had ceased to be interested in the dependents of Republican prisoners.

"You state that our organisation, though known as the Irish Republican Prisoners' Dependents' Fund, was used as a cloak for furthering the activities and propaganda of the irregulars. This I have no hesitation in stating is completely false. I have acted as General Secretary of the Fund since December, 1922, and I am in a position to deny your statement. . . . .

"With regard to your statements on (a) releases, (b) unemployment, and (3) State-aided scheme for employment, I can only say that my executive will be relieved to find them true in their hopeful outlook, but they must reserve to themselves the right to determine at what time their responsibility to the dependents of Republican prisoners will cease. . . . . .

"I summarise our position as follows:—

"1. The I.R.P.D.F. is purely a relief organisation, and none of its funds have been spent otherwise than for relief of dependents and released prisoners, nor have its energies been directed towards any other end than relief.

"2. Your statement that the I.R.P.D.F. has been, or is being, used 'as a cloak for furthering the activities and propaganda of the Irregulars,' is absolutely untrue, and, on behalf of my Executive, I challenge you to prove it.

"Your disclaimer of the need for our organisation, and your suggestion of fair play with regard to State-aided relief, may be judged by the spirit in which your Government holds £5,500 subscribed for the relief of women and children, and badly needed for that purpose.

"4. We appeal for help to all those who can sympathise with the destitution caused by your imprisonment of Republican breadwinners, and as it is our aim to keep their dependents from starvation, we claim that we are merely performing our duty to humanity. . . . ."

YESTERDAY'S CASES IN THE COURTS.

SALE OF LIMERICK LANDS

APPEAL BY DEFENDANTS.

Court of Appeal—Before the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Justice Ronan, and Lord Justice O'Connor.

In the case of Lord Cloncurry v. Laffan and others, an appeal was heard which had been brought by the defendants from a decision of the Master of the Rolls in favour of the plaintiff.

The action had been brought for specific performance of an agreement entered into by the plaintiff, through his agent, Mr. Barrington, with Mr. Patrick Ryan, now deceased, for the sale to him of the lands of Farnane and Ahacore, in the County of Limerick, for £10,000.

The contract, it appeared, was made at an interview at which Mr. Barrington, Mr. Patrick Ryan, and his solicitor, Mr. O'Brien Moran, were present. After the agreement was made Mr. Barrington told Mr Ryan, in the presence of Mr. O'Brien Moran, that Messrs. White and White were Lord Cloncurry's solicitors, and that they would carry out the matter for him. Mr. Ryan entrusted the matter for completion to Mr. O'Brien Moran.

On the same day Mr. Barrington wrote to Mr. Moran accepting Mr. Ryan's offer; and Messrs. White and White then wrote to Mr. Moran stating that Mr. Barrington, Lord Cloncurry's agent, informed them that he had agreed with Mr. Ryan for the sale to him of his holding at Farnane and Ahacore (of which he was then in possession as tenant from year to year), free from all superior interests, at £10,000. The sale of the lands—which it was stated had been intended for division amongst landless persons in the district—was not completed; and the action was brought by Mrs. Johanna Laffan and the other defendants, as administratrix and co-heirs respectively of the late Mr. Patrick Ryan. The Statute of Frauds was pleaded in defence. The contract with Mr. Ryan was a verbal one, but for the plaintiff it was contended that there was a sufficient note or memorandum of the contract signed by the agent of the purchaser. The authority of the agent was denied by the defendants.

The Master of the Rolls held that the solicitor was authorised, and that the note or memorandum signed by Mr. Ryan's agent, Mr. Moran, lawfully authorised, was sufficient to satisfy the Statute of Frauds. He accordingly gave the plaintiff a decree for specific performance of the contract.

The arguments having concluded, the Court reserved judgment.

Mr. H. Wilson, K.C.; Mr. A. Meredith, K.C., and Mr. John Bartley (instructed by Mr. H. O'Brien Moran) appeared for the appellants and defendants; and Mr. Leonard, K.C.; Mr. Overend, K.C., and Mr. Macrory (instructed by Messrs. White and White) for the respondent and plaintiff, Lord Cloncurry.

THE NEW LAND ACT.

CO. MONAGHAN HOLDINGS.

Court of the Irish Land Commission—Before Mr. Justice Wylie.

The applications of a number of tenants in Newbliss, County Monaghan, and the vicinity, came before the Court for decision as to whether the holdings came within the Land Act of 1923. Proceedings were brought by the landlord against the tenants by Civil Bill for the recovery of arrears of rent at the Clones October Sessions. It was contended on behalf of the tenants that the Land Act of 1923 applied to their holdings, and the County Court Judge adjourned the hearing of the cases to the January Sessions, for the purpose of having the question decided by the Land Commissioner.

In the case of Thomas McPhillips, tenant, the holding consisted of a house in the village of Newbliss, to which a licence was attached, and land outside.

Mr. Justice Wylie held that the holding did not come within the Act, and allowed the landlords £6 6s. 0d. costs.

In the case of Mrs. Catherine Connolly, the holding also consisted of a house in the village and land outside. The tenant is a widow. Her husband was a blacksmith, and worked a forge on the holding during his lifetime, but the forge had since been abandoned.

Mr. Justice Wylie held that the holding came within the Land Act, and allowed the tenant £6 6s. 0d. costs.

In the case of Laurence Murray, who is a school teacher retired on pension, Mr. Justice Wylie said that the case was just on the very verge. He decided against the tenant, and allowed the landlord £5 5s. costs.

In the case of Hugh McGlinn, there were two holdings, on one of which there was a publichouse.

Mr. Justice Wylie held that the holding in which the publichouse is was outside the Act, and that the other holding came within the Act.

In the case of Mrs. Catherine Harte, whose husband was a pensioner in the R.I.C., Mr. Justice Wylie said that he came to the conclusion with some doubt that the holding did not come within the Act.

A number of applications in the case of Clare Sheridan, landlord, formerly the Atkinson estate, Co. Cavan, was also disposed of.

In the case of Thomas Cooney, tenant,

Mr. Lavery (instructed by Messrs. L. C. P. Smith and Co.), who appeared for Cooney, stated that the point in all the cases was the same. The landlord had returned a rent which was not the true rent of the holdings, inasmuch as an abatement was allowed in 1903. In the case of this tenant, the landlord had returned £7 as the rent, and the tenant objected to that as being incorrect, inasmuch as in the year 1903 the tenant had an application to fix a fair rent on the landlord, and it was agreed that the tenant be allowed 4s. in the £, and his rent was £6 12s. 0d., and not £7. There were negotiations for purchase, and the tenant had been paying £6 2s. 10d. interest in lieu of rent.

Mr. Rupert Robinson, for Messrs. Cochran and Co., solicitors for the landlord, submitted that when the negotiations for purchase broke down the old rent was reverted to.

Mr. Justice Wylie decided that the abated rent of £5 12s. 0d. was the true rent. He made a similar ruling as regards the abated rent in the cases of Peter Reilly, Michael Cooney, Patrick Brady and Joseph Doughty, and allowed the tenants six guineas costs.

CHANGE OF VENUE.

CASES FOR TRIAL IN DUBLIN.

Before Mr. Justice Dodd and Mr. Justice Samuels.

Mr. John O'Byrne (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor) applied for a change of venue to the County of the City of Dublin in the following cases:—William Farrell, Co. Roscommon, charged with murder; Richard Brennan, Co. Carlow, charged in three cases with robbery under arms; Annie Flynn, Co. Cork, charged with murder and concealment of birth; Charles Kelly and James Whelan, charged with robbery under arms; Francis Watson, Co. Kilkenny, charged with unnatural offence (two cases); John Doherty, George Doherty, and James Orr, Co. Donegal, charged with robbery under arms; Hugh Donegan, Joseph Hanlon, and Frank Doherty, Co. Donegal, charged with assault and robbery; Hugh Donegan, Samuel Donegan, Joseph Doherty, and Frank Doherty, Co. Donegal, charged with breaking and entering, assault and robbery; Hugh Donegan, Joseph Hanlon, and Frank Doherty, Co. Donegal, charged with the murder of John Gallagher, and the wounding of Bernard Gibbons.

The Court granted the application, and changed the venue of the trials to the County of the City of Dublin.

POSSESSION OF CORK PREMISES.

FINAL JUDGMENT ORDER.

King's Bench Division—Before Mr. Justice Dodd and Mr. Justice Samuels.

Mr. Murnaghan (instructed by Messrs. Foley and Emerson) applied on behalf of the plaintiff, William T. Campbell, of 56 South Mall Cork, for liberty to enter final judgment against the defendant, James Burchill, 33 Grand Parade, Cork, printer and stationer. The action was brought to recover possession of the premises known as No. 33 Grand Parade, in the Parish of Holy Trinity and City of Cork, held formerly under an indenture of lease dated 1st August, 1773, and made between Daniel McCarthy of the one part, and William Heard of the other part, for the term of 149 years from the 25th March, 1774.

In an affidavit, the plaintiff said that the defendant had no defence to the action, and the appearance was solely for the purpose of delay.

Mr. Robinson (instructed by Messrs. Wynne and Wynne), for the defendant, opposed the application for final judgment, and read an affidavit, in which the defendant said that he had a good and valid defence to the action in law, and on the merits, as he was in possession and held under a perfectly different and distinct title other to that pleaded in the statement of claim, the term of which was not determined.

The Court made an order for final judgment, but granted a stay till 1st March next.

COAL FOR A UNION.

MERCHANTS' APPLICATION.

Chancery Division—Before the Master of the Rolls.

In the case of Wallace Bros., Ltd., v. Borrisokane Union, an application was made on behalf of the plaintiffs, the well-known coal importers, of 23 Westmoreland street, Dublin, who claimed to be mortgagees under a judgment registered on 17th February, 1921, pursuant to the provisions of the Judgment Mortgage Act, upon the lands and buildings of the Borrisokane Union, Co. Tipperary, for an order—(1) declaring that the judgment was well charged upon the defendants' interest in the lands and buildings (which consisted of fourteen acres statute, with a fever hospital on the lands); (2) directing an account to be taken of what was due by the defendants to the plaintiffs on foot of the judgment and payment of same, with costs; and (3) that such payment might be enforced by sale of the lands and buildings or by the appointment of a receiver.

Mr. S. L. Brown, K.C. (instructed by Messrs. Matheson, Ormsby and Prentice) appeared for the plaintiffs; and Mr. Corbett (instructed by Mr. James O'Brien) for the defendants.

Mr. Brown stated that in the original writ the defendants had been incorrectly described as the Borrisokane Guardians and Rural District Council, but the proceedings had been discontinued as against the Rural District Council. The defendants had not been misled by the misdescription, which was only a misnomer. The amount of the judgment, with costs, was £92 16s. 1d. The defendants disputed the amount, stating that they only owed £69 10s. 8d., as the coal supplied contained a considerable quantity of slack. In addition to the technical point raised with regard to the title of the defendants, there was another point of some substance raised as to whether the defendants had power to dispose of these lands and buildings. He admitted that they had no such power without the consent of the Local Government Board or Department; but, of course, the Board, he assumed, would not interfere with the process of law in respect of a judgment mortgage.

Mr. Corbett submitted that, in the circumstances, the judgment was a nullity. The Guardians held these lands and buildings as trustees for the poor, and they could not be charged with a judgment in this manner.

Mr. Brown said that the judgment was not a nullity.

It appeared that this was the first case of the kind known in the courts, and it was mentioned that the case had been at one stage referred to the local Arbitration Court.

The Master of the Rolls refused the application, with costs. It was admitted that the only persons liable were the guardians of the poor, and there was no judgment against them. With reference to the ownership of the lands and buildings, he held that the affidavit (or proof) of ownership was insufficient. The substantial point in the case was whether the guardians of the poor of this union were entitled to dispose of these lands for their own benefit, without the consent of the Local Government Board; and it was admitted that these lands could not be sold without the consent of that body.

In reply to Mr. Brown, his lordship said that he was deciding the application entirely on the Judgment Mortgage Act.

Mr. Brown said that the judgment stood.

Master of the Rolls—I think you had better get a new judgment.

Mr. Brown—I do not know about that.

CLOTHING SOCIETY'S AFFAIRS.

PETITIONING CREDITOR'S APPLICATION.

Before Mr. Justice Pim, in the matter of the Companies Acts and the Irish Co-operative Clothing Manufacturing Society, Ltd.,

Mr. Dickie, K.C., and Mr. Tobias (instructed by Messrs. Franks and Oulton), for the petitioning creditor and provisional liquidator, applied for an order to wind up the society, whose premises are in Abbey street, Dublin. He said that when the matter originally came up an application was made for the appointment of an official liquidator. A meeting of the creditors was held, and also a meeting of the Co-operative Society, at which a resolution was passed to turn this society into a company. At first the creditors were willing to take 13s. 4d. in the £, but when this resolution was passed the question arose whether the creditors wanted so much. Another meeting of creditors was held, and they agreed to take 10s. in the £. The resolution could not take effect until allowed by the Judge. The matter came before the Master of the Rolls, who said that he would not confirm the resolution until the amount of £10,000 which it was proposed to put up as capital for the new company had been put up.

His Lordship said that if the Master of the Rolls had made an order he had no intention of going behind it.

Mr. Murnaghan, for the Co-operative Society, submitted that the position was whether the society should be wound up or whether there was any reasonable probability of this capital coming in. They had promises of £1,660, and he asked his Lordship not to make the winding-up order that day.

His Lordship said that he would make the order sought and refer the matter to Chambers to appoint a liquidator.

Mr. Carson (instructed by Messrs. Byrne and Co.) appeared for Messrs. Curtis, landlords; and Mr. Shannon (instructed by Messrs. Larkin and Co.) for a committee of creditors.

THE FREE STATE'S FISCAL POLICY.

In the course of a letter on this subject Captain Henry Harrison writes:—

"There are two governing conditions to be observed. Firstly, there must be no diminution in the amount of the national revenue. Secondly, the cost of living, which lies at the very root of our power to produce for export must not be increased. The farmer, the brewer, the distiller, the exporter of biscuits must not be handicapped. These two conditions are absolutely imperative if the equilibrium of our present financial and economic structure is to be preserved. I suggest a re-adjustment of existing taxation, which shall assist our home industries against their foreign competitors without affecting either the total amount levied or the incidence of its burden upon the various classes of consumers. For example, tea and sugar are articles of universal consumption; so also are boots, clothes, furniture, etc. Ireland cannot produce tea and sugar, but she can produce boots, clothes, furniture, etc. Why not remit portion of the duty on the former, and levy a duty on the latter of such amount as to provide an equivalent fund? The amount of the new duty would require skilful adjustment, but experience would soon show the best level. There could be no legitimate increase in the cost of living, and the relatively trifling administrative cost would be more than repaid by improved receipts from existing taxation as business revived. Irish exporters would be unaffected save that, in so far as home industries thrived, they would benefit by the greater purchasing power in the home market.

"I suggest that the ground is now clear for a practical investigation of fiscal problems on these lines. Much light might be thrown on the whole question—which is of almost universal interest—if a further Committee were appointed, consisting of experienced men of business and of affairs, not unaided by an element of academic economic orthodoxy, to consider and report on:—

"(a) The incidence of existing taxation, both direct and indirect, and its effect upon financial policy and the economic development of the country.

"(b) What, if any, readjustments of existing taxation can be recommended for the purposes of financial policy?

"(c) What, if any, readjustments of existing taxation can be recommended for the purpose of assisting Irish industries, actual or potential, without increase in the cost of living and without loss to the National Exchequer?

"The reference is purposely made wide enough to cover such questions as the advisability of lowering income tax by, if possible, 1s. in the £1, with a compensatory increase in the duty on articles generally consumed by the income tax paying classes. This measure, if practicable, would have far-reaching effects, and would be welcomed in financial circles."

Messrs. McCarthy and Codd, auctioneers, Wexford, have sold Roche's publichouse, Camross, for £1,750 to Mr. J. J. Rochford, Courthoyle. Mr. W. Caulfield, solicitor, Wexford, had carriage of the sale.

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THEATRE ROYAL.

The attraction at the Theatre Royal this week is a light and airy play, which may be described either as an operetta, or as a musical comedy. Its title, "Phi-Phi," may be taken as suggestive of its character. It is an adaptation from the French of Albert Willemetz and F. Sollar, and is staged by Charles B. Williams in a faultless manner.

All the chief actors have classical names, and their acting carries the piece along from start to finish with a verve which keeps the audience in the best of humour. There are a few gestures, acts and words here and there which might well have been omitted for pure propriety's sake, and lacking which the piece would lose nothing of its fun.

The play is in two acts, the first being laid in "Phi-Phi's" sculpture studio, in Athens, where a good deal of amusing dialogue, and some pretty dances take place. The second act is divided into three scenes, one being the "Olympian baths," the second being the corridor of the baths, and the third the garden of "Phi-Phi's" studio. The stage settings are quite gorgeous, and in perfect harmony with the Greek atmosphere in which the action is supposed to take place.

When it is stated that Mark Lupino, who is a leader in his own line, is taking one of the principal parts—that of Meander, a poet—it will be seen that there is plenty of good comedy about. Between him and Leslie Sarony, who plays Mercury, a messenger boy, the audience is kept on the alert for smart and amusing work. The taking of the ladies to the baths is productive of many comical mistakes, and these ladies play their parts with ability and grace. The music is bright and catchy, and the dances of a strong *corps de ballet* are one of the features of the entertainment.

ABBEY THEATRE.

"Aftermath," the three-act play by T. C. Murray, which is being produced by Michael J. Dolan in the Abbey Theatre this week, was remarkably well played last night. Miss Sara Allgood appeared as Mrs. O'Regan, the mother, whose ambition intensified her pursuit of the match-making between her son and the desirable niece of a neighbour. The characterisation was a very fine study and clever in every phase. F. J. McCormick, who took the part of Myles O'Regan, the victim of the marriage-planning, also acted admirably, bringing into play the varying emotions essential to the rôle. Miss Eileen Crowe had a responsible task in the impersonation of Grace Sheridan, and acquitted herself with distinction.

With regard to the other artistes, it can be said that each individually brought talent into the cast, and helped to make the presentation successful. They were:—Miss May Craig, Miss Maureen Delany, Miss Eileen O'Kelly, Miss Helena Molony, Miss Christine Hayden and Arthur Shields.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

The Queen's Theatre pantomime, "Cinderella," commenced the sixth week of a very successful run last night. Both performances were well patronised, and all the members of the cast maintained their reputations as purveyors of genuine amusement. The songs, dances, patter and general staging are, if anything, better in the second edition of the production than they were in the first.

OLYMPIA THEATRE.

"Aladdin," the pantomime at the Olympia Theatre, is still a popular Dublin favourite. The Gordon Brothers' display of rhythmic acrobatics and the musical absurdities of the Bennedettis give the production a distinction that is quite refreshing.

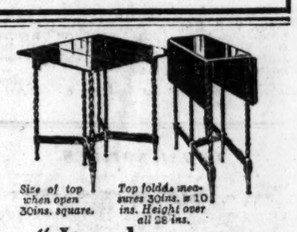
TIVOLI THEATRE.

There are some good performers at the Tivoli Theatre this week. The Flying Winskills last night executed remarkable feats on the trapeze, and the Japanese Kamakura Family, who introduce "enchanted fountains," display great skill as conjurers. Billy French dances into the limelight. The Brothers Sullivan patter cleverly on roller skates, and The Mandells produce fine music from string instruments; and Tara Noon makes good comedy. Arthur Beresford gives some smart impersonations.

DUBLIN AMUSEMENTS.

GAIETY THEATRE.

The Gaiety Theatre pantomime, "Dick Whittington and His Cat," opened the fifth week of its season last night with all the enthusiasm that marked the first performance and all the perfection that comes with much practice. The theatre, as has been the case at every performance since Boxing Day, was full, and, no doubt, the announcement that the pantomime is to continue only till the end of next week will ensure full houses for the remainder of the run. Young and old alike last night were charmed with the effective staging, good vocal and instrumental music, and genuine fun. The feature of the pantomime is, however, the dancing, both by individuals and ballet. Only here and there does it lapse into acrobatics. Miss Winnie Goodwin and Mr. Adrian D. Ross are "star" performers of the highest order, while the Lachinsky troupe of girl dancers gives exhibitions far superior to those usually found in pantomimes. Mr. Ross contributes, too, the most popular song of the show. It deals in no uncertain manner with the amenities of Dublin—the mud, the price of stout, and other very topical points. Altogether, with Dick and Alice, Alderman Fitzwarren, Idle Jack, the Emperor of Morocco, a Fairy Princess, a host of people not mentioned in the nursery story, and, above all, the Cat, this is a pantomime that should not be missed. There are performances nightly at 7.30, and *matinées* on Wednesday and Saturday at 2.



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LEGAL NOTICES.

Gazette Notice—Adjudication—Public Sittings—17. SAORSTAT EIREANN.
HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.
KING'S BENCH DIVISION—IN BANKRUPTCY.

A. RATTHAUS, of 6 Grosvenor place, Rathmines, in the County of Dublin, Merchant, was, on the 9th day of January, 1924, adjudged Bankrupt.

Public Sittings will be held before the Court, at the Law Courts, The Castle, Dublin, on Friday, the 8th day of February, 1924, and on Friday, the 22nd day of February, 1924, at the hour of Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, whereat the Bankrupt is to attend, and to make a full disclosure and discovery of his Estate and Effects. Creditors may prove their Debts, and at the First Sitting choose a Creditor's Assignee. At the Last Sitting the Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination.

All persons having in their possession any Property of the Bankrupt should deliver it, and all Debts due to the Bankrupt should be paid, to Alfred George Hollinshead, Official Assignee, Law Courts, The Castle, Dublin, to whom Creditors may forward their Affidavits of Debt.

C. B. CLARKE, Deputy Registrar.
PORTER, MORRIS, and CO., Solicitors for Petitioners, 8 Clare street, Dublin.

Notice of Audit and Dividend—23. SAORSTAT EIREANN.
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.
KING'S BENCH DIVISION—IN BANKRUPTCY.
In the Matter of

J. B. MIDDLETON, of 95 Marlborough street, in the City of Dublin, Outfitter, a Bankrupt.

A Public Sitting will be held before the Court, at the Law Courts, The Castle, Dublin, on Friday, the 15th day of February, 1924, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to audit the Assignees' Account and make a dividend in this matter.

Dated this 18th day of January, 1924.
W. A. T. COBBE, Second Assistant.
ALFRED GEORGE HOLLINSHEAD, Official Assignee, Law Courts, The Castle, Dublin.
PORTER, MORRIS and CO., Solicitors for the Assignees, 8 Clare street, Dublin.

IN THE MATTER OF
JAMES NOLAN, late of Castle street, Nenagh, Deceased, and
MARY NOLAN, Widow of the said James Nolan.

All persons having any claims against the above, or either of them, are requested immediately to furnish, in writing, full detailed particulars of same to
JAMES O'BRIEN, Solicitor, Nenagh.

CONTRACTS.

COMMISSIONERS OF IRISH LIGHTS.
TO CLOTH MANUFACTURERS.

The Commissioners of Irish Lights hereby give Notice that they are desirous of receiving SAMPLES of not less than ¼ yard each of the FOLLOWING CLOTHS for Uniform Clothing for their Lightkeepers, Seamen, etc., etc.; all goods to be of the best Indigo Blue Dye and shrunk by a qualified shrinker:—

FINE CLOTH.
STRONG CLOTH.
PILOT CLOTH.
HEAVY SERGE.
FINE SERGE.

Samples, in sealed parcel, together with quotations, and endorsed "SAMPLES OF CLOTH" should be forwarded to the undersigned, so as to reach this Office not later than noon on THURSDAY, the 7th day of February, 1924.

By Order,
J. B. PHELPS, Secretary.
Irish Lights Office.
Dublin, 21st January, 1924.

PAVING SETS.

THE DUBLIN PORT AND DOCKS BOARD is prepared to receive Tenders for 100 Tons of Granite or WHINSTONE PAVING SETS, 6 inches to 10 inches long x 6" deep x 4½" wide, delivered Port Works, Dublin.

Sealed Tenders, endorsed on the outside, "Tender for Paving Sets," should be delivered to the Secretary, Port and Docks Office, Westmoreland street, on or before Tuesday, 29th January, 1924.

The Board does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

Port and Docks Office.
21st January, 1924.

TO COAL IMPORTERS.

The Dublin Port and Docks Board is open to receive Tenders for a Cargo of about 600 Tons of Large Steam Coal from any of the following collieries:—Killochan, Auchincruive, and Point of Ayr.

Tenders to be delivered to the Secretary, Port and Docks Board, on or before Tuesday, 29th January, 1924, and to be endorsed on the outside "Tender for Coal."

The Board does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

Port and Docks Office.
21st January, 1924.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

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PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

THEATRE ROYAL
6.45 ..... TWICE NIGHTLY 9.0
PHI-PHI,
AN OPERETTE IN 2 ACTS. Cast includes:—
MARK LUPINO,
BABS LESLIE
EVELYN MAY. SARONY.
FULL LONDON CHORUS.
"A Blaze of Light, Colour, Laughter, and Wit."

THEATRE ROYAL, DUBLIN.
SATURDAY, FEB. 16, at 3.
(Director—Fred Williams, 36 Wigmore St., London, W.1
Return of
RUMMEL
THE WORLD FAMOUS PIANIST
RUMMEL
TICKETS (including Tax) 7/6, 5/9, 3/6, 2/4.
Plan. Tickets, at Box Office, THEATRE ROYAL.

TIVOLI (6.45 and 9. Tel. 4125.) THEATRE
THE FLYING WINSKILLS,
Sensational Comedy Acrobats.
Tara Noon, Billy French, Bros. Sullivan, Arthur Betteford, Les Maudelle.
KAMAKURA FAMILY.

PAVILION, DUN LAOGHAIRE
LAST 2 DAYS OF
"FLOWER OF THE NORTH."
By James Oliver Curwood.
Starring Henry B. Walthall and Pauline Starke.
At 4, 6.30, and 8.50. Preceded by
LARRY SEMON in "THE BARNYARD," etc., etc.

LA SCALA THEATRE.
REX INGRAM'S
FAMOUS PRODUCTION,
"TRIFLING WOMEN."
THE TRAGEDY OF THE "UNMORAL WOMAN."
"An Amazing Satisfying Entertainment."
CAST includes:
Ramon Novarro.
Barbara La Marr.
Edward Connelly.
Lewis Stone.
TIMES OF SHOWING:
3.15, 5.30, and 8.15.
NO INCREASE IN PRICES.
"TRIFLING WOMEN."

THE CARLOW HUNT BALL
Will be held in the CLUB HOUSE, CARLOW, on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5th.
Tickets, 22/6 up to Jan. 30th; after Jan. 30th, 25/-.
Chauffeurs' Supper Tickets, 2/6. (These cannot be purchased at the door).
DANCING and BRIDGE, 9.30 p.m.
Tickets can be had from both Mrs. ARTHUR BRUEN, Straw Hall, Carlow; Mrs. OLIVER, Dublin street, Carlow.
MANAHAN'S BAND.

R. ATKINSON & CO.,
MANUFACTURERS,
IRISH POPLIN,
IRISH LACE,
IRISH
POPLIN NECKWEAR.
SEE OUR MILLINERY.
A NEW FEATURE.
SILK AND LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS.
31 COLLEGE GREEN.

J. W. ELVERY & CO., LTD.
LADIES' WATERPROOF COATS,
FROM 27/6 to £6 6/-.
LADIES' SHOWERPROOF COATS,
FROM 55/- to £8 8/-.
LADIES' LEATHER MOTOR COATS,
FROM £6 6/-.
CHILDREN'S COATS,
FROM 18/6.
CHILDREN'S CAPES & HOODS,
FROM 6/6.
ELEPHANT HOUSE,
45 & 46 LR. O'CONNELL ST.,
76 MIDDLE ABBEY ST.,
34 NASSAU ST.,
65 DAWSON ST., } DUBLIN.
Also at CORK and LONDON.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

RAILWAY STRIKE IN GREAT BRITAIN.

THE LONDON MIDLAND AND SCOTTISH RAILWAY COMPANY HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT THEY CAN ACCEPT TO-DAY GOODS TRAIN TRAFFIC AND LIVE STOCK FOR CONVEYANCE VIA HOLYHEAD BY ARRANGEMENT.

BY ORDER,

SPECIAL NOTICE.

THE RAILWAY COMPANIES OF GREAT BRITAIN

HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT, IN VIEW OF THE THREAT BY THE ASSOCIATED SOCIETY OF LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS AND FIREMEN, OF A STRIKE OF ENGINEMEN WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THAT SOCIETY—AND IN VIEW OF THE POSSIBLE CURTAILMENT AND INTERRUPTION OF TRAIN AND BOAT SERVICES WHICH MIGHT RESULT IF THAT THREAT IS CARRIED INTO EFFECT—THEY ARE UNABLE TO ACCEPT AND/OR CONVEY PASSENGER, MERCHANDISE, AND LIVE-STOCK TRAFFIC IN THE USUAL COURSE, AND SUCH TRAFFIC WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED AS IT CAN BE DEALT WITH AND UPON THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THE COMPANIES WILL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ANY LOSS, EXPENSE, DAMAGE, DEVIATION, MISCONVEYANCE, MISDELIVERY, DELAY, OR DETENTION ARISING FROM OR IN CONSEQUENCE OF SUCH CURTAILMENT OR INTERRUPTION OF SERVICES.

By Order,
RAILWAY CLEARING HOUSE.
19th January, 1924.

BURGLARY.

OUR Premises having been broken into, and Accounts and Official Receipt Book taken, Customers are hereby warned against Bogus Collectors.—THE O'SULLIVAN COMPANY, Wine and Cork Merchants, 51 Seville place, Dublin.

DIOCESE OF DUBLIN.—UNITED PARISHES OF CLONDALKIN AND TALLAGHT.—A Meeting of the Board of Nomination is appointed to be held at the Diocesan Offices on Tuesday, the 29th inst. Information respecting the Benefice may be obtained from the Diocesan Secretary, 43 Kildare street, Dublin.

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Gaiety Theatre—"Dick Whittington," 7.30 p.m.
Theatre Royal—"Phi-Phi," 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Abbey Theatre—"Aftermath," 8 p.m.
Queen's Theatre—"Cinderella," 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Olympia Theatre—"Aladdin," 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre—Varieties, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
La Scala Theatre—"Trifling Women," 3.15, 5.30 and 8.15 p.m.
Metropole Cinema—"The Prodigal Son," 2.0, 4.10, 6.25, and 8.40 p.m.
The Grafton—"Merry Go Round," 1.30, 3.50, 6.10 and 8.30 p.m.
Princess, Rathmines—"Mamma's Affair."
Pavilion, Dun Laoghaire—"Flower of the North," 4, 6.30 and 8.50 p.m.
The St. Philip's Lectures, Parochial Hall, Temple road, Rathmines, 8 p.m.
Dublin Sessions, 11 a.m.
Architectural Association, 15 South Frederick street, 7.45 p.m.

The Irish Times.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 1924.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

Over 100 search warrants have been issued in connection with the proposed raids for "unauthorised wireless."—(Page 5.)

Senator Sir John Keane delivered an important address on State accountancy at the weekly luncheon of the Dublin Rotary Club yesterday.—(Page 6.)

Mr. Merry, the President, addressing a meeting of the Waterford Chamber of Commerce yesterday, complained of the hardship and loss imposed on merchants by the Customs regulations. While there might be some excuse for this at the beginning it was time that things were made easier for the commercial community.—(Page 7.)

Mr. Serjeant Hanna, K.C., presided last night at the annual meeting of the Presbyterian Association in their premises, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin.—(Page 6.)

The usual mail boat sailings between Kingstown and Holyhead took place yesterday, and passengers and mails were carried. There was some delay in the arrival of the incoming steamers owing to the dislocation of the services on the English railways.—(Page 5.)

On behalf of the Local Government Board an inquiry was held at the Dublin Mansion House yesterday into the application of the Corporation for a loan of £40,000 for the completion of the new Roundwood reservoir, and for a provisional order to extend the limit of the public water rate in the city to 8d. in the £.—(Page 7.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

Viscount Downe died at his residence in Northamptonshire yesterday.—(Page 7.)

Mr. Baldwin's Administration was defeated in the House of Commons last night on the Labour no confidence motion by 328 to 256.—(Page 5.)

The Irish mail trains were delayed somewhat by the strike yesterday, but all got through to their destinations.—(Page 5.)

It is stated that a number of N.U.R. have joined the strikers.—(Page 5.)

ABROAD

Yesterday the new Governor-General of South Africa, the Earl of Athlone, received an enthusiastic reception on his arrival in Cape Town with Princess Alice and the members of their family.—(Page 7.)

With the consent of his Ministers M. Venizelos will advocate the establishment of a republic in Greece in the Ministerial declaration before the Assembly of Wednesday. It is now believed that King George's last chance of remounting the Greek Throne has gone.—(Page 5.)

Through the breaking of a ladder seven firemen at the Atlantic Oil Refinery, Pittsburg, yesterday, were thrown into a blazing oil tank and burned to death.—(Page 5.)

FINANCIAL.

London Stock Markets had to struggle against adverse factors on all hands, the exchange weakness being the most potent. After a very dull opening the close was steadier.—(Page 9.)

The fall of sterling in New York to 4.21½ dominated Lombard street, where money was dear and discounts firmer.—(Page 9.)

In Dublin Bank of Ireland Stock again rose sharply, closing 6 points up at 271.—(Page 9.)

A Fateful Division.

The "two-handed engine" has struck, and within a few days a Socialist Ministry will hold power in England. Mr. Baldwin did not face his supplanters as an angry or frightened man. While it would be unkind to say that nothing in his tenure of office became him like the leaving of it, he has made no finer speech than his swan-song yesterday. It revealed the qualities of patriotism, courage and generosity which have established his hold upon the affections of British Conservatism. If character were everything in politics, Mr. Baldwin might have been a great Prime Minister. He told the House of Commons that he, and he alone, was responsible for the revival of Protection. He was neither led nor driven, and he has no regrets on his own account, because he still believes that he did the right thing. Many theories have been mooted to explain Mr. Baldwin's fateful choice, but his explanation is quite simple. He became convinced that the restoration of normal conditions in Europe would be a prolonged and heavy task and that during that period of trial protective measures alone could save British industry. He may have been wrong then, and his persistent faith in the remedy which the country has rejected may be more pathetic than wise; but his successor will have no right to contradict him until Socialism has succeeded where Conservatism failed.

After Mr. Ramsay Macdonald had spoken, a vote was taken on the Labour Party's amendment that "Your Majesty's present advisers have not the confidence of this House." The motion was carried by 328 votes against 256, and *ipso facto*—since other details are immaterial—Britain ceased to be governed by a Conservative Administration, and a Socialist Administration, for the first time in English history, placed its foot upon the threshold of power. The Liberals and Socialists in the new Parliament outnumber the Conservatives by one hundred, and last night's vote left the Conservatives in a minority of seventy-two. There were some Liberals, therefore, who refused to recant their promises to the electors; but the bulk of the party voted with the Socialists and, therefore, made Liberalism directly responsible for all the results of Mr. Macdonald's accession to office. This temporary coalition may be of the briefest kind, but we need not doubt that its reactions will influence the development of British and Imperial policy for many years after every member of the present Parliament is in his grave. To-day, we may assume, Mr. Baldwin will tender his resignation to the King, who will accept it and will send for Mr. Macdonald. The new Prime Minister will spend two or three weeks in the formation of his Government, and then the "moving finger" will begin to write a chapter from which not all Mr. Asquith's second and, perhaps, wiser intentions will be able to eliminate a single line.

Speculation concerning the policy of Mr. Macdonald's Government in foreign and domestic matters, before that Government has been formed, would be idle. We can assume only two facts. It will lack the experience and *savoir faire* of all Conservative and Liberal Governments in the past; and its policies and actions must be a compromise—if, indeed, such compromise is possible—between the restraining views of the Liberals who will keep it in office and the extreme views of the Socialist left wing. We can say only that the experiment will be perilous in the last degree. The ultimate consequences of the new departure furnish surer ground for speculation. Human nature does not change; self-preservation is a national as well as an individual instinct, and in political philosophy, as in all sciences that deal with men's motives and conduct, "probability is the guide of life." Mr. Asquith's decision will hasten, perhaps by a generation, developments that in any case were almost inevitable. We believe that, in putting Socialism into power, the Liberal Party has sounded its own death-knell. It has confessed by its vote on a vital division that it has more in common with Socialism than with Conservatism, and there will be no place for it under the new system which will recognise only two parties in the State. We believe, with Mr. Baldwin, that the future of British government lies with the Conservatives and the Socialists. Between them the issue will be fought that must settle the fate of England and her Empire, and we are confident that, when that issue is made clear, the big battalions of English democracy will not be on the Socialist side.

The Tourist Traffic.

We welcome the effort to revive the Tourist Organisation of Ireland, which was forced to suspend its operations nearly nine years ago. A successful meeting has been held in Dublin, and a small committee has been formed to arrange for an extensive "publicity" campaign. The possibilities of Ireland as a tourist resort are almost unlimited. Within an hour's motor drive from Dublin visitors can find some of the most delightful scenery in Western Europe, while from Glengariffe to Lough Gill the country is studded with beauty spots of the rarest charm. Yet, even before our political troubles came to a head, comparatively few tourists visited Ireland. Killarney was a Mecca for returned Irish-Americans; devoted fishermen who were "in the know" drew rich harvests from our Irish rivers, and occasional travellers with a taste for adventure ventured outside the Pale. For lack of proper advertisement, however, the beauties of Ireland's scenery were neglected scandalously, and probably a greater number of tourists visited the Isle of Man in a month than came to this country in a year. The aim of the people who are reviving the Tourist Organisation is to attract the right kind of visitors to Ireland. Of course, the passion for tourists can be carried too far. Somebody once said of Switzerland that it was not a country, but a hotel, and no self-respecting Irishman would like that taunt to be levelled at his native land. Too many tourists tend to demoralise a people. The evils of such traffic may be seen in most of the great tourist centres of the Continent, where the local inhabitants simply batten on the foreigners and lose most of their self-respect in the process. There is, however, a happy mean towards which the Irish people ought to strive. Under the Health Resorts and Watering Places (Ireland) Act of 1909 cities, towns and even villages are empowered to strike a *maximum* rate of one penny in the pound for the purposes of advertisement, and, if the money raised in this way could be pooled by some central organisation, excellent results might be obtained. The Free State needs money. A well-organised tourist traffic would yield a considerable revenue, and, at the same time, it would give foreigners an opportunity of making themselves acquainted at first hand with the nation of which they have heard and read so much during the past ten years. Tourists would bring new ideas into Ireland, and their reports of the condition of the country would do much to enhance the nation's credit abroad. Nothing can be done without the active help of the people themselves. Every local authority in the tourist areas ought to strike a rate without delay and institute a campaign of intelligent and dignified advertisement. The central committee can co-ordinate local efforts and direct them into the most useful channels.

Aerial Adventure.

The recent adventures of the United States dirigible Shenandoah, following on the loss of the Dixmude, do not seem to have shaken American faith in the prospects of the proposed flight to the North Pole. To a valiant heart nothing is impossible, and, if the project is accomplished, or even attempted, it will command the respect and admiration of the world. Mr. Denby, the Secretary of the Navy, has declared that the object of the undertaking is annexation. He regards the existence of a vast, unexplored area near Alaska as "a constant challenge to the United States." He expects that a large area of land will be discovered, and that it will be of high strategic value in the warfare and commerce of the future. "If it is not photographed and mapped by the United States, another Power will act within a year," he told the House Naval Committee. This prophecy of a "rush" to secure Arctic territory seems to be somewhat imaginative, but all great ideas throughout history have staggered the minds of ordinary people. The fact that there is no change of temperature from night to day in the Arctic, and consequently less danger of expansion and contraction of helium, increases hope among American experts. It is proposed that the Shenandoah shall cruise over an area of a million square miles surrounding the North Pole. The cost is estimated at £40,000. Rumours of dissension among the crew of the airship have been circulated and only four volunteers have been forthcoming since the list was opened a week ago. Mr. Denby asserts, however, that every man in the Navy is eager to go. Commander Bartlett, who accompanied Rear-Admiral Peary to the Pole, expressed a fine sentiment when he said before the Committee: "Do not read American history; let us make it." We wish the Americans every good fortune in this high enterprise, and hope that their success will confound the sceptics.

Post Office Reform.

A special postal conference was held yesterday in Birmingham under the auspices of the Association of British Chambers of Commerce. A general improvement in the administration and working of the Post Office was demanded. Mr. Gilbert Wyle, of Birmingham, who presided, spoke of the marked deterioration that had taken place, and advocated a permanent external commission which would manage the Post Office on business lines. The idea will appeal to many critics who trace the cause of inefficiency to bureaucratic mismanagement. The conference carried unanimously a resolution in favour of Imperial penny postage. There are two familiar arguments in favour of cheap postage. The first, which was advanced by Sir Arthur Balfour yesterday, is that a reduction in rates does not result in diminished income, but has the opposite tendency. Sir Roland Hill confounded his critics by proving this theory to be correct under the conditions which obtained seventy-six years ago. The second argument is that the Post Office is run for the convenience of citizens and, like the Army or Civil Service, ought not to be expected to pay its own way. The present financial condition of all European Governments hardly justifies this contention. The importance of a cheap postal service lies in the fact that it affects all business firms, and consequently the price of every commodity. In the Free State postage is twenty-five *per cent.* more expensive than in Great Britain and Northern Ireland; yet a heavy debit was shown last year. Such a situation demands drastic reform. Any reforms that may be introduced in England must be examined carefully, and we must not be too proud to copy them if the results are satisfactory.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

The Duchess of Buccleuch, Lady Louis Mountbatten, the Countess of Moray, Viscountess Novar, Lady Seton of Abercorn, and Lady Dundas of Dundas are among the patronesses of the fancy dress ball which will take place in the Assembly Rooms, Edinburgh, on Wednesday, January 30th, in aid of the funds of the Missions to Seamen.

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The Earl and Countess of Dalhousie have arrived in London from Forfarshire, and will be in residence at 15 Hyde Park Gardens for some time. Lady Lovat has returned to London from Beaufort Castle. Sir Woodman, Lady and Miss Burbidge are staying in Paris. Admiral Sir Sackville Carden has left London for Dinard. Major and Lady Annabel Dodds have arrived in London, where they have taken a house in Beaufort Gardens for six months.

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Lord Bellew, fourth holder of the title, and a Representative Peer of Ireland, is sixty-seven to-day. He was formerly in the 10th Hussars. He took part in the Afghan campaign, the Nile Expedition, and the last South African War, and served with the Yorkshire Regiment (Territorial Force) in the European War. He is the grandson of the Right Hon. Sir Patrick Bellew, seventh Baronet, on whom the Barony was conferred in 1848. In 1881, in accordance with the will of his maternal uncle, Colonel George Bryan of Jenkinstown, he assumed by Royal licence the surname of Bryan in lieu of Bellew, and in 1911 he succeeded his brother in the Barony.

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March 12th is fixed for the opening of the Grand Automobile Meeting at Monte Carlo, under the presidency of the Prince of Monaco. The International Sports Club of Monaco is responsible for the programme, which will include a rally, a hill-climbing contest from Monte Carlo to Mont Agel, and a parade and show at Monte Carlo. The influx of visitors at Monte Carlo continues, and among the recent arrivals are Sir Robert and Lady Hudson, Sir Hugh and Lady Drummond, Sir Thomas and Lady Wilton, Sir Robert and Lady Glanfield, Lady Inglefield, Lieutenant-Colonel Bernard, Sir Richard and Lady Musgrave, Sir W. Yarworth and Lady Jones, Mrs. Cary Barnard, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Partridge, Mr. Frank Hartigan, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Clark, Lieutenant-Colonel Wiseman Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Gough Henry and Mrs. and Miss Bassett.

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Baroness Clifton, who celebrates her birthday to-day, was only eight months old when she succeeded her father, the seventh Earl of Darnley, as the seventeenth holder of this ancient title, which has passed at least six times to female descendants of Sir Gervase Clifton, the first Baron, who died in 1618. The present Baroness is unmarried, and the heir presumptive is her uncle, the eighth Earl of Darnley.

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The marriage of Lord Arthur Butler and Miss Jessie Carlos Clarke, which was recently postponed owing to the bride-elect's illness, will take place on Saturday, January 26th, at Sunninghill Parish Church. Lord Arthur Butler, who holds Captain's rank in the 17th Lancers, is the younger son of the Marquis and Marchioness of Ormonde. His elder brother, the Earl of Ossory, married the Hon. Sybil Fellowes, daughter of the second Baron De Ramsey.

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A marriage has been arranged between Lieutenant Cecil M. Craig-McFeely, D.S.O., M.C., the Border Regiment, late the Royal Dublin Fusiliers, fourth son of Doctor J. D. McFeely, F.R.C.S., of Holly House, Woolton, near Liverpool, and Nancy, eldest daughter of A. Mann, Esq., The Cross, Gloucester.

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A marriage has been arranged, and will take place early in March, between Major C. F. F. Davies, Royal Ulster Constabulary, eldest son of the late James Henry Davies and Mrs. Davies, 11 Ormond road, Dublin, and Cecilia Moyna, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Johnston Kirkpatrick, Kincraig, Belfast.

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Dr. George E. Nesbitt has returned to 71 St. Stephen's Green.

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Doctor John J. Sheridan has changed his residence to "Adelaide," 122 North Circular road.

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Mr. S. G. Reeves, L.D.S., has returned to 12 Clare street.

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Miss Vera Long has returned from Paris to 31 Upper Baggot street.

During this the final week of Switzer's Sale further price reductions on a very generous scale will be featured.

At Holmes' Sale—Fashion Goods of every description. Drastic Price Reductions.—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 Great George's street.

Last days of Robert's Sale. Final Drastic Reductions in every Department. Exceptional Bargains in Corsets to-day.—Robert and Co., Ltd., 30/33 Grafton street.

New Dance Frocks in distinctive styles.—Campbell and Strahan, Ltd., 11 Wicklow st.

Fur-trimmed Coats drastically reduced during Sale.—Campbell and Strahan, Ltd., 11 Wicklow street.

We are copying new model costumes and coat frocks at tempting prices this month.—Slyne and Co., Ltd., 71 Grafton street.

PASSENGERS ON ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

Arrivals:—S. G. Reeves, L.D.S.; Sir James C. Percy, Mrs. Charles Blair White, Mrs. J. W. Large, Mrs. R. S. Phillips, H. T. Gerrard, Donald W. R. Boyd, R. P. Figgis, G. V. Boyd, Jack B. Yeats, Miss V. Long.

Departures,—Mrs. A. J. Rennison, G. B. A. Brayden, J. R. Cape, Mr. and Mrs. F. Newsom, Mrs. R. J. C. Maunsell, Master Mark Maunsell, Miss Lowe, Mrs. H. Y. Burgess, Miss Helga Burgess, R. L. O'Flaherty, H. M. Andrews, E. Pearson, H. Sayers, R. Moran, John Dillon, Mrs. Phyllis Gillinson: Miss Brosnan, T. McKenna, Lady Ursula Heatley, Rev. J. H. Tuke, John M. Eyre, Canon Aykroyd, W. McC. E. Acheson, W. A. Packham, Miss Jean Nolan, Mrs. James Halpin, Mrs. R. J. Butler, Lady Wallscourt, Miss Glynne, Mrs. G. F. Farran, Miss Suzanne Farran, Cyril Egan, Charles Barrington, Miss Healy, Miss G. Healy, Colonel G. W. Tate, C.M.G.; Mrs. Tate, K. K. Parry, Misses Betty and Peggy Hewson.

McBirney and Co.'s Great Annual Winter Sale, this and coming days. Write for Price List.

TRAVEL WITHOUT TRAINS.

IMPRESSIONS OF A BIG STRIKE.

(BY H. L. McN.)

In spite of the general dislocation of traffic and inconvenience to travellers caused by a big railway strike, there is a lot of interest and even adventure to be found in travel, especially when the traveller determines to get all possible fund out of it.

In the autumn of 1920 I happened to land at Southampton on the first morning of the great strike. The news had reached the boat by wireless, and everyone was asking if the boat train would run to London. Certainly the boat train was at the pier, but it was quite obvious that it would be there for the rest of the day. At the little pier telegraph office there was a queue sending off wires to anxious friends, and when we trooped off to the hotel we found all rooms booked and the hall piled shoulder-high with luggage.

A consultation with the hall porter and a judicious tip secured me a seat in a char-a-banc which was to leave for London in an hour. My waiting time was amusingly occupied in translating the laments of various stranded French travellers to taxi-men, and assisting them to send telegrams to friends.

At eight our char-a-banc appeared bearing a big poster announcing that the proprietor was no profiteer, and that he would run to London daily for £1 per person (the first class rail fare was 18s.) if the strike took place.

My chief impressions on the six-hour run to London were the much better view of the countryside one enjoys when travelling by road than by rail, and the strange sight of two or three derelict trains standing "miles from anywhere" on the railway.

Two o'clock saw us at Charing Cross, amid a scene of extraordinary commotion and bustle. Every available vehicle in London appeared to have been pressed into service, many seemed to have been ressurected from the scrap-heap and had no number plates, and thousands of bicycles filled all available interstices in the traffic.

Crowds stood at the principal corners, and as private cars and lorries came along their drivers called out their destination and invited any going their way to have a "lift." It was noticeable that the only motorists who did not offer accommodation were the drivers of Rolls-Royces and other luxury cars. But the crowd did not always wait for an invitation.

By such a lift I got to Hammersmith, and after a long wait—it was "women and children first"—a military lorry discharged part of a cargo of civil servants and took me on to Ealing, where, as it was after midnight, I had to waken my friends by throwing gravel at the windows.

Next morning at nine there was a 'bus queue, 250 yards long, and at eleven it was still longer. My friend was not a newspaperman for nothing. He took me down a side street, where we found a perfectly empty 'bus about to start, and after apparently touring miles of countryside we reached Victoria, and eventually got to Fleet street.

In the evening, feeling very 'cute, I took a 'bus going the "wrong" way, thinking to come back from the terminus. But there the conductor bowed me out, with a remark: "There is the end of the queue, sir," pointing to a quarter-mile of humanity.

A day later found me at Euston with a crowd of some two hundred. The station was full of yellow fog, and nothing else. An official appeared and addressed the crowd: "There is one train ready to leave in an hour. Does anyone want to go to Birmingham?" We all said yes, and he told us we could get as far as Birmingham, or even Manchester, or, with luck, Liverpool. At twenty miles an hour we steamed north, passing Rugby, where a cordon of police was keeping back an excited crowd of strikers from the station yard. Several times we stopped while the fireman got out, walked on to a signal cabin to set the points. Both driver and fireman were volunteers—Australian soldiers—and near Birmingham their hats were passed along the train. When they reached my compartment they were both filled with silver.

One of those excellent red "Midland" 'buses took me on to my destination.

There I remained until the end of the strike.

The present strike, being only partial, and leaving the underground unaffected, will, of course, cause much less dislocation of traffic—but, then, it won't be half as interesting or exciting.

"WIRELESS" IN IRELAND

SENATOR MARCONI'S INTEREST.

Mr. A. C. Bridle, Hon. Secretary of the Dublin Wireless Club, has received the following letter from Senator Marconi:—

Eden Hotel, Rome, Italy,
7th January, 1924.

DEAR SIR,—I have your letter of the 31st December last, re-forwarded to me from the offices of the Marconi Company in London. In accepting the invitation extended to me to become Patron of your Society I would ask you to convey to the President and officers of same my very best wishes for the future welfare and expansion of the Dublin Wireless Club, which has done so much to further amateur interest in Wireless in Ireland.—Yours, faithfully,
G. MARCONI.

WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference.—Secondary disturbances, associated with a large depression off our western coasts, will cause generally unsettled weather, with temperature mainly above normal. Some improvement may occur to-morrow, but it is likely to be very temporary.

Ireland.—Wind southerly, strong, veering south-west or west later; rainy at first, fair intervals later; visibility moderate to good; mild.

South-West Seaboard, Mouth of Channel to South-West Ireland.—Wind southerly, veering south-west, strong to high; sea rough; some rain, fair intervals; visibility moderate to good.

Irish Sea and St. George's Channel.—Wind south-easterly to southerly, fresh; sea moderate; some rain; visibility moderate.

North-West Seaboard, Northern Ireland to Hebrides.—Wind south-easterly to southerly, strong; sea rather rough; rainy; visibility poor in places.

Dixon and Hempenstall, Barometers and Forecasters, 12 Suffolk street, Dublin.—(Advt)

BAROMETER.

Dublin—Monday (5 p.m

RAIL STRIKE CHAOS.

IRISH MAILS HELD UP.

NO CORK-FISHGUARD SERVICE.

SOME N.U.R. MEN COME OUT.

SKELETON SERVICES.

LABOUR LEADERS AT VARIANCE.

LAST NIGHT'S POSITION.

NOT until to-day will the railway officials in Great Britain be able to give any clear indication of how they are affected by the strike. The whole position was still in a state of flux, because in some instances the N.U.R. drivers have joined the strikers of the Associated Society.

The railways certainly did their best under the circumstances yesterday, but there were some surprises. At Holyhead, for instance, the passengers who left Kingstown on Sunday night were marooned until 5.50 a.m. yesterday morning, and they arrived at Crewe six hours late, at 7.50 a.m., reaching London about 10.30 a.m.

The passengers on the morning boat, too, had an unenviable experience; for, although the steamer was run into the harbour beside the town station, no driver could be found to take the train out until 4.10 p.m.—four hours behind time. Crewe was reached at 5.25, and the train was about four hours behind time in reaching London.

The Irish mail left Euston at nine o'clock last night, and was three-quarters of an hour late at Crewe.

It is stated that the Cork to Fishguard service and the cattle service between Rosslare and Fishguard have been stopped, but the passenger service is being continued.

The mail-boat from Holyhead to Greenore was four hours late yesterday morning, and the company are only accepting passengers to Holyhead. No goods were accepted yesterday.

The direct result of the strike is that the cattle trade with Great Britain is receiving a bad set-back; but, no doubt, some attempt will be made to use the long sea route for some cargoes.

Reports received in London late last night showed that the improved services which were possible in the afternoon had not been maintained. After the dislocation of the early hours of the strike had been overcome, several services were opened, but towards midnight the extension of the strike caused a further curtailment of the services.

The A.S.L.E. and F. Headquarters at Hampstead this morning stated that many N.U.R. members all over the country had struck work. "We have had no peace overtures made to us yet," said an official.

It was suggested that there may be important developments in connection with the strike to-day, but it is not thought that the Government will make any move to intervene.

TO-DAY'S TRAINS.

IRISH MAIL AT 8.15 a.m. AND 9 p.m.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Monday.

It was stated at Euston to-night that the following service would form the basis of to-morrow's time table:—

8.15 a.m.—Irish mail to Holyhead.
9.30 a.m.—Scottish mail (serving also Manchester and Liverpool).
1. 5 p.m.—Manchester and Liverpool.
5. 0 p.m.—Do.
3.35 p.m.—Ireland, via Stranraer.
9. 0 p.m.—Irish mail to Holyhead.
11. 0 p.m.—Scotland.
11.30 p.m. (provisional) — Liverpool and Manchester.

NEWS FROM THE BIG CENTRES.

HOW THE SERVICES WERE AFFECTED.

HULL.—The N.U.R. locomotive men decided to support the Associated locomotive men in the strike. The N.U.R. has approximately 400 members at Hull.

YORK.—Although the Associated Society are very strong, the London and North-Eastern were able to run a fair number of trains.

BIRMINGHAM.—More than a third of the normal services were run.

RUGBY.—A few N.U.R. men have joined the strikers, but the London, Midland, and Scottish were able to keep up a good service and to augment the skeleton schedule by 20 additional trains.

DARLINGTON.—The disorganisation of the main line service caused much inconvenience.

CREWE.—N.U.R. men are assisting the strikers, and many drivers and firemen are reported to have transferred to the Associated Society. It is probable inspectors will drive trains to-day.

BRISTOL.—The least affected of all the large centres. Very nearly the full number of trains running.

LIVERPOOL.—Ten per cent. of the normal train service was run.

GLASGOW.—Services were well maintained, particularly on the former Caledonian system. All the London expresses are being sent off.

ABERDEEN.—Both the London and North-Eastern and the London, Midland, and Scottish train services were practically normal up to this afternoon, except that the first West Coast train to London in the morning was twenty minutes late in leaving.

GLOUCESTER.—About one hundred and twenty men, half the strength of the local branch of the Associated Society, and including a few N.U.R. members, are out. Sufficient men to work restricted services.

SUNDERLAND.—The N.U.R. men turned out solidly for duty, but the difficulty was to find firemen to accompany them.

EXETER.—The Cornish Riviera express did not run, and the Kingswear and Torquay express to Paddington made stops at Exeter and Taunton.

CARLISLE.—A small number of trains arrived and departed from Carlisle, but no trains had arrived from London up to five o'clock.

DONCASTER.—A few N.U.R. drivers left work yesterday, declining to do what they considered blackleg labour.

LEEDS.—From all the Leeds stations the services, particularly on the main lines, were surprisingly good, and there was no chaos. There were a few cases of N.U.R. men joining the strikers.

MANCHESTER.—A skeleton service of passenger trains was run. Probably one-fifth of the usual number of trains were in use.

HOW THE STRIKE HITS IRELAND.

SHIPPING DISORGANISED.

WORK CURTAILED AT THE NORTH WALL.

The mail boat ss. Hibernia arrived at Kingstown with 170 passengers yesterday morning about two hours late.

At the usual hour of departure the ss. Anglia left Kingstown yesterday morning with mails and about 40 passengers. In the evening the ss. Cambria arrived with 40 passengers and about 130 mail bags. The usual number of incoming mail bags on a Monday varies between 160 and 170. When the Cambria left Holyhead the passengers who had arrived from Ireland in the Anglia were still held up at the Welsh port.

POSITION AT HOLYHEAD.

The situation has taken a more serious turn at Holyhead than was at first anticipated. It was believed that the engine drivers and firemen at Holyhead were fairly evenly divided between the Associated Society and the National Union of Railwaymen, and that members of the latter union would adopt the view of the President of their union regarding the strike. It appears, however, that nearly all of the men working the Welsh end of the London, Midland, and Scottish line are members of the Associated Society, and the fact has dissipated any hope of certainty in the maintenance of train traffic between Euston and Holyhead.

During the day a notice was issued by the railway company stating that they are unable to accept any goods, live stock or passenger traffic "for conveyance to Holyhead." This does not mean, however, that the mail boat service will be suspended.

In a previous statement on behalf of the company the public were informed that the mail boat service will be maintained as usual. As a matter of fact, the mail-boat left Kingstown last night with eighty passengers and a quantity of mails. Passengers were advised that they undertook the journey to their proposed destinations entirely at their own risk, and that a train service could not be guaranteed.

SHIPPING AT THE NORTH WALL.

Late last night the London and Midland and Scottish Company announced that they will be able to take a certain amount of passenger and goods traffic from the North Wall to-day. They are cancelling their announcement that they would be unable to carry this traffic.

Yesterday the London Midland and Scottish morning boat arrived in the Liffey with a general cargo from Holyhead, but business was suspended for the rest of the day. Two boats are run daily by the company between Holyhead and the Liffey, but yesterday neither the mid-day boat nor the 5 o'clock boat sailed from the North Wall, with the result that a quantity of bacon and eggs, etc., as well as about 50 head of cattle, were held up. The boat which would ordinarily make the evening sailing came over light from Holyhead, and again sailed empty. The Greenore boat was stated to have sailed.

To-day the company hope to improve matters, and it is probable that at least one vessel with general cargo will sail from Dublin to Holyhead, and possibly a second boat may be able to sail. It is anticipated that at Holyhead trains, as an official described it, "of some sort" will be in readiness to deal with the cargoes of both vessels.

Monday is a light day for cattle traffic, but by Thursday and Friday, when usually this company conveys 800 or 900 head of cattle each day to the other side, a serious situation may be created if train transit has not been provided.

From early morning yesterday it was apparent that Liffey steamers dependent upon railway connections at their cross-Channel ports would be unable to carry out their arrangements and that only "port-to-port" traffic would be dealt with in a limited manner.

The Burns Laird line conducted a sailing from Dublin to Greenock and Glasgow, but the Heysham steamer route—in the absence of rail facilities from the Lancashire port—was affected.

The Sloan liner Yarrow, outwards from the Custom House quay for Silloth, "cut out" the carriage of cattle, but had a contingent of horses booked for passage to her Solway Firth port.

Should the worst fears be realised as regards railway services in England, it is open to travellers to sail direct from Dublin to London and Southern English ports by the Lady Line steamers of the British and Irish Company, or to Liverpool, Manchester or Glasgow, and then to their ultimate destinations by other means of transit than railway trains.

Owing to the suspension of business on the North Wall and Holyhead route and the curtailment of traffic on other cross-Channel routes, employment for daily or "casual" dockers has been already curtailed at the Liffey side.

CORK AFFECTED.

FISHGUARD SERVICES SUSPENDED.

It was stated at Cork that the Cork and Fishguard service would be entirely suspended from last night, but that the London, Bristol, Manchester and Cardiff sailings by the City of Cork Steampacket Company will not be suspended.

The cancelling of the Cork-Fishguard service will cause great inconvenience in Cork, and the cattle trade especially will suffer. Among those "held up" yesterday by the strike were a number of children returning to school in England. For passengers *via* Dublin and Holyhead to England, arrangements are been made to go to Holyhead only, and passengers must make their own arrangements as from that point.

IRISH MAIL SIX HOURS LATE.

DRIVERS ON STRIKE AS PASSENGERS.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

CREWE, Monday.

In normal circumstances there are about 1,000 foot-plate men in Crewe. About five-sixths of them belong to the striking union. This proportion has come out solidly, and it is true to say that some of the N.U.R. members are out with them.

Although the skeleton service of trains has worked so well, the railway authorities say that they are employing no men on the trains whose normal duties do not permit them to be there.

The Crewe men left their engines in many distant places when answering the strike call. Men have been arriving in the town to-day from Carlisle, Abergavenny, London, and Swansea. They came in motor cars provided by the union.

There was considerable difficulty in the early hours of this morning in getting the Irish mail through from Holyhead. The driver at the Welsh port positively refused to take it out.

After a long delay a N.U.R. driver was found, and the express departed. Two striking drivers who wanted to get to Crewe travelled with it as passengers. The train was about six hours late leaving Crewe for London. Some of the passengers despairing of starting from Holyhead returned to Dublin.

The first North-bound train in Crewe this morning, the Irish mail from Euston, was actually a minute before time, but the men who should have relieved the driver and firemen, although they turned up for duty, refused at the last minute to take the train on. After twenty minutes' delay two other men were found.

Altogether 59 passenger and 123 goods trains were cancelled at Edinburgh.

There was complete paralysis also in goods traffic at Liverpool, miles of goods trains remaining on the sidings.

The New York exchange market broke sharply yesterday on the news of the British railway strike—the exchange on London demand bills dropping 2¼ points to 4.21¼.

There were no trains in or out at Marylebone station (London) yesterday.

"I am prepared to leave the whole thing to the judgment of the historian of the present day who will write of British trade unionism."—Mr. Bromley.

NO COLOGNE BLOCKADE.

ASSURANCES BY THE FRENCH PREMIER.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Monday.

Lord Crewe, the British Ambassador, was received by M. Poincaré this morning, and discussed the differences that have arisen in connection with the German railways in the Cologne area.

I believe that he has received assurances that there is here in Paris absolutely no question of attempting to blockade or to take reprisals in any connection. The instructions were issued by the Franco-Belgian *regie* on their own responsibility and, I am responsibly informed, without the knowledge of the Quai d'Orsay. The French railway officials on the spot have been asked to furnish a full statement on the matter and to forward a copy of the orders issued.

It is understood that these may have been issued only to meet conditions of a technical character, and, in view of the assurances given, it should be safe to anticipate their radical revision.

NO FURTHER PEACE EFFORTS.

CONFLICTING STATEMENTS BY RAILWAY LEADERS.

BY OUR LABOUR CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Monday.

All available reports to-day indicated that the locomotive men's strike, though not complete, is more serious than most people imagined it would be. The vast majority of the members of the Associated Society obeyed the strike call without question, and some who had wavered came out later in the day.

It is also certain that a number of drivers and firemen in the National Union of Railwaymen stopped work in sympathy, but statements as to the extent to which the strike movement has spread to the N.U.R. is conflicting.

When Mr. Bromley declares that the response has been "amazing" and beyond his expectations, while Mr. J. H. Thomas asserts that the strike is a "complete fiasco," the extraordinary difference of opinion is inexplicable to the man in the street, who will have to judge between the two leaders from his own experience.

It was hardly to be expected that any new peace movement could be attempted to-day after the complete failure in the early hours of Sunday morning to prevent the strike.

A baseless rumour was published, to the effect that Mr. Ramsay Macdonald and Mr. Arthur Henderson had engaged in a consultation with the Associated Society officials at Hampstead.

This arose from the fact the political chief had talked over the situation informally with Mr. Fred Bramley, the Secretary of the Trade Union Congress General Council. The labour leaders, however, are not likely to intervene, unless the conditions are more favourable than they were to-day.

Mr. Bramley states that a close watch on events would be kept, and that if any opportunity for useful action arose it would be seized immediately.

"At the moment," he added, "it does not appear that any such opportunity has presented itself, and we can only wait."

The return of traffic over the whole of the Great Western Railway system showed that approximately one thousand passenger trains and three hundred goods trains were run yesterday. Among the A.S.L.E. and F. men remaining on duty are several mileage men, for whom the strike is ostensibly taking place.

The London Midland and Scottish Railway reported that it maintained a London suburban service from St. Pancras, Fenchurch street, and Broad street during the rush hours.

On the Great Northern section of the L.N.E.R. the suburban service gradually dwindled during the afternoon, and was suspended after 6.30 for the night.

At the Liverpool street terminus of the old G.E.R., one of the busiest stations for suburban traffic in London, thousands of people were confronted by a notice announcing the suspension of the services to Enfield, Walthamstow, Chingford, and Southend, and queued up in the drizzling rain to wait for the omnibuses and tram routes.

Through the failure to effect clearances and supply wagons, eight thousand colliers were rendered idle in Aberdare and Garw valleys.

ULSTER FEELING THE PINCH.

MEN UNEMPLOYED IN BELFAST.

The Northern Minister of Labour, the Right Hon. J. M. Andrews, speaking in Belfast yesterday afternoon, said that, on the whole, Capital and Labour in Ulster had shown a great desire to accommodate one another. The result was that during the last two and a half years they had not had an industrial dispute worthy of the name. He hoped that that would go on, because industrial disputes were far more serious things than most people were aware.

"There is," he continued, "a railway strike in Great Britain at the present moment—a most unfortunate affair, and we here in Northern Ireland are feeling the effects of it already. I know from the official returns that already a certain number of men have been deprived, through no fault of their own, of work at the docks, and if the strike goes on in Great Britain the people here will be unemployed as the result, and it is most regrettable. However, I think that, on the whole, we in Northern Ireland are faring as well as they are faring anywhere else, and I am very hopeful as regards the future."

LONDON'S FOOD SUPPLY.

NO NEED FOR ALARM.

There need be no fear of a food shortage in London—at any rate, for the present. Reports sent in yesterday to the Ministry of Transport and Board of Trade Food Department were reassuring on that score. The Government attitude was outlined by a high authority in Whitehall entitled to speak on behalf of the Cabinet.

He said:—We find ourselves in a very delicate position. We expect to hand over office to another Government to-morrow, and cannot take the steps that we might have taken had we been remaining another fortnight. We wish to do nothing to embarrass our successors. Yet we must look forward to the assured maintenance of the essential food service. Though there have been conferences between the departments concerned and friendly discussions with the traders, it has not been considered necessary to set up any elaborate strike emergency organisation. The Government does not want to rush matters. We understand that there was no difficulty in regard to milk. If difficulties arise they would be capable of adjustment by local effort, but the departments are closely watching the situation, and by to-night reports to them should show whether anything in the situation points to the need for special measures.

MR. CLIVE'S MISSION.

BY OUR DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Monday.

Mr. Clive, the British Consul-General for Munich and Bavaria, who has been conducting an inquiry into the condition of affairs in the Palatinate, arrived in London to-day to report to the Foreign Office.

It cannot be said at this stage whether Mr. Clive's conclusions will be made public by the Government. They will, however, largely influence the action which the British Government will take regarding the suspended separatist decrees registered with the High Commission.

The clubhouse of the Heswall Golf Club, near Birkenhead, was burned to the ground late last night. The building was made of brick and timber, and was comparatively new. Owing to the shortage of water nothing could be done to save it. The damage is estimated at $10,000.

OVER 100 SEARCH WARRANTS.

THE LEGAL POSITION

SEIZURES MAY BE POSTPONED.

The announcement in yesterday's *Irish Times* that the Free State Government is about to issue search warrants in order to seize all "unauthorised" wireless apparatus in the twenty-six counties was widely discussed yesterday.

Wireless enthusiasts generally, and members of the electrical and associated trades particularly, view the proposed action of the Postal Authorities with some indignation.

Although no doubt the Postmaster-General has made himself fully acquainted with his legal rights in the matter, that aspect of the proceedings seems to be exercising the general public in an unusual degree.

It is understood that upwards of 100 search warrants have already been issued. Probably some seizures will be made within the week unless, as a result of certain representations made to the Government in or outside the Dail, action is postponed pending the report of the Special Parliamentary Committee, which is at present investigating the whole position. This course, it is stated, is not unlikely.

Commenting on the remarks of the "High Postal Official," which appeared yesterday, the member of a prominent Dublin firm of electrical engineers told an *Irish Times* representative that the people who are in possession of wireless apparatus—and are, therefore, guilty of a "so-called offence against the law"—so far from wishing to usurp the powers of the Postmaster-General, are quite ready at any time to purchase the usual licences.

Long before any arrangements for broadcasting stations were made in England, English amateurs were granted licences to "listen-in" to such stations as The Hague. It was suggested that a similar procedure should be adopted in the Free State.

Since the Post Office was admittedly administered at a loss, he did not see why there should be any further delay in supplementing its finances by a revenue from broadcasting licences.

Another well-known member of the electrical trade, who is associated with the manufacture and supply of wireless apparatus, said that the legal aspect is by no means clear. The Free State Government either adopted the British Wireless Acts or they did not. If they adopted all the laws governing wireless broadcasting, then the Postmaster-General has no power to refuse a licence to any person who put 10s. on a post office counter. If they did not re-enact those measures the Postal Authorities have not the power of the 1904 Act to restrict trade in wireless apparatus or parts

"What of the discrimination between firms who are represented on the Broadcasting Company and the ordinary traders?" he asked. "Certainly an investigation of that matter is long overdue. It would also be interesting to know whether the Customs and Postal Authorities have definite instructions to hold some equipment while they release other. So far as my firm is concerned, the net result of the proposed action of the Postal Authorities is our dismissal of six skilled instrument makers, three of whom are demobilised soldiers of the National Army. And this is at a time when we are urged to provide work for those men!"

FRANCE AND THE VATICAN.

SPLIT NEARLY HEALED.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

ROME, Monday.

Diplomatic relations between the Vatican and France, which were ruptured in 1905 through the severance of the Church and the State of France, will be healed within the next few days, according to well-informed Catholic circles, and it is expected that an official statement from the Pope will be published in the *Osservatore Romano* shortly. Papal confirmation is expected in the form of a pastoral letter to the French Bishops.

The main question has been the Papal acceptance of the Diocesan Associations with France, which before the severance of the Church and State, had "cultural associations" in the Roman Church.

It is pointed out that the Diocesan Associations, although not the same as the former cultural associations, are the means offered the Church and allowed by the Pope for permitting the Catholic Church to be recognised by the French laws. The union of the Church and State is not, therefore, re-established, but a stumbling block is removed permitting the resumption of diplomatic relations with the Vatican.

SECRET OF THE FRENCH NOTE.

GERMAN CABINET DISCUSSING THREE POINTS.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Monday.

The Press and public are growing restive at the secrecy surrounding the German-French Ruhr and Rhine discussions. At a foreign Press reception here last night, Herr Stresemann explained that both parties had agreed not to publish M. Poincaré's memorandum, which has been in the Berlin Cabinet's hands for a week.

It seems that M. Poincaré insists on three vital points—

1—The question of the legality of the Ruhr occupation is not to be raised.

2—No discussion is to take place regarding the Separatist movement.

3—Germany must continue paying the costs of the Allied Rhineland Armies.

Differences in the German Cabinet on the last-mentioned point persists, the Finance Minister, Herr Luther, contending that Germany must suspend such payment at an early date.

NO ANTI-RUM TREATY.

AMERICAN RUMOUR WITHOUT FOUNDATION.

BY OUR DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Monday.

The statement made by a leading American newspaper, that Great Britain and the United States have come to a tacit understanding to put into effect the provisions of the "Rum-running Treaty," which is still unsigned, is denied in official circles in London.

Proof that no such arrangement has been made is furnished by the activity shown by the British authorities over the recent seizure of ships outside the three-mile limit.

THE FLIGHT OF GERMAN CAPITAL.

ANOTHER COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Monday.

The Second Committee of Experts which is to deal with the flight of German capital abroad was installed this morning, and M. Barthou, Chairman of the Reparations Commission, welcomed the delegates and invited Mr. McKenna to act as Chairman.

The problem, said M. Barthou, was more easily stated than solved, but must be attacked, nevertheless.

Mr. McKenna, in reply, said he regarded the work of the two Committees as a further instance of the cordial co-operation of the Allies in the Great War. They would study the questions submitted to them from the business point of view, and when they published their convictions he hoped that those responsible would have the courage to accept them.

This afternoon Herr Schacht, Governor of the Reichsbank, appeared before the First Experts Committee and made a statement on Germany's financial position and the projected new German National Bank of Issue.

In ten years' time everyone will have a motor car, and be able to use it.—Mr. Henry Ford.

A REPUBLIC FOR GREECE.

NO HOPE OF RETURN OF ROYAL FAMILY.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

ATHENS, Monday.

The last chance of King George remounting the Greek Throne has gone.

M. Venizelos has decided, with the unanimous support of his Ministers, to advocate the establishment of a Republic in the Ministerial declaration before the Assembly on Wednesday.

M. Venizelos's power to establish a Republic—it is generally believed here that this was the object of his return to Greece—is not seriously questioned. He has absolute control over the Army and Navy and other branches of the Government, all of which apparently are working for the Republic. He has the entire support of 250,000 refugee voters out of a total electorate of 900,000. He has complete control of the National Assembly, which was elected by seventy or seventy-five per cent of the voters, and for a goodly majority of the Greek people he is the saviour of the country.

Twenty thousand militant Republican Army officers, under General Pangos and Colonel Condilis, who have sworn never to permit the return of any of the Glucksbourgs, are now pledged to support Venizelos, and are working ardently for a Republic.

By the decision of the old Constantinist politicians not to participate or recognise the plebiscite, they nullify themselves. They cannot threaten the Government or the plebiscite by force, because Venizelos has the force on his side. They only kept twenty-five per cent of the voters from the polls at the Assembly election in December, and it is doubtful if they will be able to keep so many away from the plebiscite election.

The Government is already beginning to consider whether Greece shall adopt the French or American model of Republic. Every ambitious Presidential candidate wishes for the French system on account of the seven years' term.

In his declaration on Wednesday, I understand that M. Venizelos will also urge the establishment of a National Senate.

SITUATION IN MEXICO.

REBEL BLOCKADE "POSTPONED."

WASHINGTON, Monday.

The rebel blockade of the Port of Tampico (Mexico) has been "postponed" until the end of the present month, according to a despatch from Rear-Admiral Magruden, in command of the American naval force at Vera Cruz to the Navy Department. According to Navy officials, the word "postponed" in Admiral Magruden's despatch really signifies that the rebel blockade will not be revived, and that the warning given by the United States, emphasised by the presence of American vessels of war, has been sufficient.

Protesting against the mining of Mexican harbours as "a threat against the commerce of the world," Mr. Wood, the American Consul at Vera Cruz, has informed General de la Huerta, the rebel leader, that if mining operations were carried out partially or wholly, the United States Government would be constrained to adopt appropriate measures for the protection of its commerce and its nationals.

THE MEXICAN PETROLEUM COMPANY'S PROPERTY.

NEW YORK, Monday.

Following upon the threats of General de la Huerta to destroy the Mexican Petroleum Company's property at Tampico unless an amount of 400,000 dollars advance-taxes is paid to the rebel representative, the company has been advised by the State Department at Washington to protect their property by paying the demand. It is added, however, that this should not be done unless the rebels actually seize the property or indicate their intention to carry out their threat.—(Reuter.)

PITTSBURG OIL FIRE.

SEVEN FIREMEN BURNED TO DEATH.

The Exchange Company's New York Correspondent yesterday telegraphed:—A Pittsburg message says that seven firemen fell into a tank of blazing oil, as the result of the breaking of a ladder when they were fighting a serious fire at the Atlantic Refinery Company's premises.

A rescue party removed the bodies from the tank, which was one of ten thousand barrel capacity.

Hundreds of firemen are fighting desperately to prevent what threatens to be a great catastrophe.

PITTSBURG, Monday.

The deaths among the firemen fighting the blaze in the plant of the Atlantic Refinery Company now total seven.

They were caused by the men falling from a broken ladder into a tank of burning oil. Several other firemen were injured by falling from the ice-covered tops of the tanks, the mercury being two degrees below zero.—(Reuter.)

£3,000 ALLUVIAL DIAMOND.

LARGEST IN SOUTH AFRICA.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

CAPE TOWN, Monday.

Diggers at Kameelfontein, near Pretoria, are celebrating the discovery of the largest alluvial diamond ever found in South Africa. The prospector, who was formerly penniless, has received £3,000 for his find. The diamond weighs 416 carats, and resembles a brown pebble.

NEW ZEPPELIN FOR AMERICA.

PROPOSED TRANSATLANTIC FLIGHT.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, Monday.

America's new giant dirigible, the ZR 3, is now completed.

The constructors announce that the first trial trip will take place in the first week in March. If this is successful the trans-Atlantic flight to America will be attempted early in April.

Doctor Erkener will have full supervision of the flight, while the pilots and the navigators of the ship, until she is delivered at Lakehurst, will be Lieutenant Flemming and Lieutenant Lehmann, both former officers in the German Zeppelin Force. Lieutenant Lehmann has a 100 hours' continuous flying to his credit over the North Sea.

Among the features included in the ZR 3 is a sound-proof gondola, where the navigating officers will be able to carry on their calculations undisturbed by the noise of the motors. The sleeping berths for the officers will also be contained in this gondola.

BOY AND GIRL MARRIAGES.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Monday.

The Angora Assembly has passed a law permitting girls to marry at the age of nine, and boys at the age of twelve, in order to increase the population of Anatolia rapidly.

I understand that a sharp demand has been sent to Angora, that a number of the foreign business houses which have been closed by the Turks, owing to their refusal to pay exorbitant taxes, should be immediately allowed to re-open. The demand was made by Admiral Bristol.

THE LOST TACOMA.

WASHINGTON, Monday.

Owing to the heavy weather on the Mexican Gulf coast it is feared that the Tacoma is battered beyond hope

TO-DAY'S LONDON PAPERS.

THE GOVERNMENT DEFEAT.

LIBERALS & SOCIALISM.

The Times in a leading article observes:—The defeat of the Government last night, though long foreseen, is a memorable event in the history of Parliament. For the first time the way is laid open to-day for the advent to office of a new party in the State—a party which frankly professes the doctrines of Socialism. The significance of the change is intensified by the fact that it has been deliberately effected by the action of men who proclaim their abhorrence of the fundamental tenets of those whom they have helped to power. The country, they admit, has rejected the wild experiment of Socialism, yet they have displaced a Government whose programme they declare might have come from themselves, in order to make way for a Socialist Government.

It is an utterly illogical position for their party, though the result is less unsatisfactory than an insincere Coalition or that condition of deadlock which Mr. Macdonald denounced last night as the supreme degradation of the House. We, ourselves, have always held that, in the circumstances produced by the general election, the Labour Party are fairly entitled to sit upon the Treasury Bench, and to meet with precisely the same treatment as either of the older parties. That Mr. Baldwin promised them from the Conservatives, in the spirited speech with which he finally defended his Administration and his party. The Conservatives, he told them, would be critical both of legislation and of administration, as an Opposition ought to be; but there would be nothing factious in their attitude. But, while the position of the Conservatives and of the Labour Party is clear and logical, not all the dexterity of Sir John Simon, who spoke earlier in the afternoon, can place that of the Liberals on a solid footing.

It is in vain for Liberal speakers to endeavour to assuage by soothing assurances the real anxiety which they acknowledge that their conduct in turning out the Government has caused among numbers of their supporters in the country. Their act speaks for itself. Men of this character will judge it, as Sir Ellis Griffith, Mr. Lloyd George's Solicitor-General, judged it last night, when he announced that he would vote against his party and with the Government. They will see that the Liberals are not only putting a Conservative Government out, but that they are also putting a Socialist Government in.

PARTY MEETINGS TO-DAY.

PROBABLE NEW MINISTRY.

The Times Parliamentary Correspondent writes:—A meeting of the Cabinet has been arranged for half-past ten this morning, when Ministers will tender their resignations to the Prime Minister. Mr. Baldwin will visit the King immediately afterwards and resign his office, and it is assumed that the King will then summon Mr. Macdonald to the Palace and invite him to form a Government. A meeting of the full Parliamentary Labour Party has been called for half-past ten, and at this there is to be a good deal of plain speaking as to the future policy of the Party. It is said that Mr. Hemmerde also intends to raise the question, which he has already discussed in a newspaper article, of the legal appointments in the new Ministry.

The Liberal members have been invited to meet Mr. Asquith at the House of Commons at midday, when there will be an interchange of views as to the future position. There is no doubt that many of the members of the Liberal Party, as well as of the industrial group and other sections of the Unionist Party, are anxious to raise the issue of Socialism directly Mr. Macdonald meets Parliament as Prime Minister. These members of the Liberal Party hold that, while it was their clear mandate to eject Mr. Baldwin's Ministry at the earliest possible moment, it is also their clear duty to intimate at once that they have not the slightest sympathy with any scheme of Socialism, or with the capital levy. It was for this reason that many back bench members, both Unionist and Liberal, wished yesterday to hang up the Address until the Labour Government meets Parliament in order that it might be proved conclusively that they were not blind followers of the Labour programme.

The following list gives the most probable appointments in the new Ministry:—

Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary—Mr. Macdonald.
Lord Privy Seal and Leader of the House of Commons—Mr. J. R. Clynes.
Chancellor of the Exchequer—Mr. Snowden.
Lord Chancellor—Lord Haldane.
Home Secretary—Mr. Arthur Henderson.
Colonial Secretary—Mr. J. H. Thomas.
Secretary for War—Brigadier-General Thomson.
Secretary for India—Sir Sydney Olivier.
Secretary for Scotland—Mr. W. Adamson.
Minister of Health—Mr. Wheatley.
Minister of Agriculture—Mr. Noel Buxton.
President of the Board of Education—Mr. C. P. Trevelyan.
Attorney-General—Mr. Patrick Hastings, K.C.
Solicitor-General—Mr. Slesser, K.C.
Minister of Pensions—Mr. F. O. Roberts.
Postmaster-General—Mr. Vernon Hartshorn.
Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs—Mr. Ponsonby.
Financial Secretary to Treasury—Mr. W. Graham.
Parliamentary Secretary to Board of Education—Mr. Morgan Jones.
Parliamentary Secretary to Treasury—Mr. Ben Spoor.

LAST NIGHT'S DIVISION.

MR. BALDWIN IN DEFEAT.

The *Morning Post* says:—It might have been hoped that the British Labour Party, which ought to see every question from the angle of employment for British working men, would have supported a change in the fiscal policy of the country, but it accepted a Hamburg resolution to work for Free Trade. Mr. Baldwin is serene in defeat, because he has been defeated in a good cause, and he has staunch friends behind him, unbroken and undismayed, to wage more hopeful warfare in the future in the service of the nation.

FRONTIER CRIMES.

MURDER GANG BANISHED.

PESHAWAR, Monday.

The curtain is falling on another act of the frontier tragedy, but its close hardly justifies the hearty official applause with which it has been received in some quarters. Ajab and his murder gang, doubtless, accompanied by their wives and dependents, have been banished to Afghan Turkestan; but the conditions are not publicly known, if, indeed, they have been fixed.

That, if all goes well, they will be rendered incapable of further harm, is, doubtless, satisfactory. It is a subject for congratulation that we have avoided a diplomatic rupture with Kabul. But it is a notorious fact that the Ameer was unable to surrender the assassins, because some of his subjects, including several religious leaders, considered the murders of unarmed men and women meritorious exploits, because the victims were non-Moslems, and to yield to our pressure might have cost his life. But it says little of the strength of the new Afghan *régime*, and still less for the fitness of Afghanistan to become a member of the League of Nations.

In the next act, the principal villains will be Ardali and Daubshah, two Shinwaris, Afghan subjects, who committed the Landi Kotal murders—the murders of Majors Orr and Anderson. These worthies are alleged by the Afghans to be hiding in a part of the Mohmand country which is claimed by the Indian and Afghan Governments. Frontier usage forbids the surrender of persons, however hideous their crimes, who have taken sanctuary within the borders of a tribe, but they can be "moved on" by their hosts, and, to judge by the results of the demonstration against the Sanghu Khel, they will be sent away when pressure is applied. Negotiations for the disposal of these criminals are likely to be long and tedious.—(*Times* telegram, copyright.)

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

LABOUR'S 72 MAJORITY.

THE GOVERNMENT DEFEATED.

TO RESIGN TO-DAY.

FIGHTING SPEECH BY PREMIER.

MR. MACDONALD'S VIEWS.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Monday.

To-night Mr. Baldwin's Government was defeated in the House of Commons on the Labour no confidence motion by 72, the figures being 328 to 256. There was no excitement in the House following the division, but owing to the numbers voting it was fifteen minutes before the figures were announced.

Five hundred and eighty-four members voted out of a House of 614, and Labour claimed to have voted 188 strong. The Liberals who voted with the Government were:—Mr. Leng Sturrock, Sir Beddoe Rees, Mr. Hogbin, Mr. W. A. Jenkins, Mr. Duckworth, Sir Ellis Griffith, Mr. Hugh Edwards, Sir Thomas Robinson, Mr. W. E. Robinson, and Colonel England. Mr. Ellis Davies, Major R. Williams, and Mr. Haydn Jones, who had requested to be paired, were regarded as being paired against the Government.

The majority vote of 326 consisted of 188 Labour members, 137 Liberals, and 5 Independents, who included Mr. Mosley and Mr. T. P. O'Connor. Ten Liberals voted with the Government. This list left 11 to be accounted for. Of these, one was in the Chair—the Speaker—four desired to pair, but could not get pairs from the Conservatives. They were: Sir William Sutherland, Mr. Ellis Davies, Major R. Williams, and Mr. Haydn Jones. The unaccounted balance of Liberals amounts to six.

Conservatives present numbered 245. Four others were paired, and 11 Conservative members were absent without pairs.

Labour polled 188 votes out of a maximum of 191. Three absent Labour members were paired.

MR. MACDONALD INTERVIEWED.

Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, seen after the division, said:—"It is not a moment for elation. It is a terrible responsibility. We shall have to do our best to face it. Fail or succeed, I can say this, that no Government responsible for the affairs of this country will more honestly try to serve. I am very proud of the Labour Party, and it will be a great inspiration to every workman and workwoman in the country to work and to sacrifice, to do their party honour and to enable it to succeed."

Members dispersed very quickly when the result of the division was made known, and there was a marked absence of any demonstration or signs of jubilation among the Labour members or their friends, who had gathered in the Central Lobby.

There will be a brief sitting of the House of Commons to-morrow afternoon to receive the formal resignation of the Government. The House will then adjourn for three weeks, during which the composition of the new Ministry will be announced, and indications of the Labour Party's programme may be expected.

A BIG ATTENDANCE.

The House and galleries were already well filled when the Speaker took the chair this afternoon. An unusually large attendance of Peers included the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Questions, of which there were 155 on the paper, attracted little attention until Mr. Ronald McNeill read a long telegram from the British Consul-General who has been investigating the condition of the Palatinate.

His conclusion, that the vast majority of the population are opposed to the autonomous Government, which owed its existence to French support, confirmed the general impression.

I rather expected that some enterprising Tory would have made the railway strike a pretext for moving the adjournment, and so delaying the fall of the Government, but none did so, and it was left to a Liberal to suggest that the Prime Minister should make arrangements to keep the House sitting, to which Mr. Baldwin sarcastically replied that the matter would rest with "whatever Government the hon. member and his friends put into power."

SIR JOHN SIMON.

The debate on the address was resumed by Sir John Simon, in one of those cold, forensic speeches which arouse interest, but not enthusiasm, and which a Tory interjector aptly summed up in the word, "brief." A large part of his argument was devoted to the theory that Ministers were, by their own confessions, estopped from attempting to govern the country. They ought, in his opinion, to have followed the examples set by Disraeli in 1868 and 1880, and by Gladstone in 1874 and 1886, and have resigned immediately after the election.

Again, a Ministerial "voice" supplied the appropriate comment—"How many parties were there then?" Mr. Churchill's recent letter enabled Sir John Simon to indulge in some "feline

pointed to Mr. Amery as the man with the mask. [Mr. Amery shook his head.] Mr. Amery had dropped Protection for the moment, but he had not abandoned it. On the contrary, he was all the more ardent in defeat. He (Mr. O'Connor) could not vote for the Government, and he should support the amendment. He was glad that a Socialist Government was coming into power.

Some interesting speeches followed. Sir Charles Oman ridiculed the claim of the Labour Party to call itself a "National" party, seeing that sixteen of its candidates could not get an eighth of the electorate to vote for them, and had accordingly forfeited their deposits. In his opinion, the proper course was for the Crown to send for the leaders of all three parties, and invite them to form a tripartite Coalition.

Sir Ellis Griffith surprised the Liberals by declaring that he was not going to help to turn out a Government in a minority of 99 in order to put in a Government that would be in a minority of 233.

Mr. Buchanan, one of the most eloquent of the Clyde brigade, in a speech that was obviously sincere, despite some patches of fustian, declared that all he cared about was the sufferings of the poor. Unless the Labour Government did more than its predecessors to solve the problem of life, it would deserve a like condemnation.

MR. BALDWIN.

At a quarter to seven the Prime Minister rose to make his long awaited speech. He was not like the same man who spoke last Tuesday. Then he was almost apologetic. Now he was full of fight. A mock complaint that not one had thanked him for reconciling Mr. Asquith and Mr. Lloyd George was followed by some good-humoured chaff of the leading Liberals, adorned with some apt quotations. There was loud laughter when he put into the Liberal leader's mouth these lines from Dryden—

"Oh, let me rather perish in the strife,
Than have my crown the price of David's life."

Then, after a *résumé* of the Government's achievements during its brief term of office, he proceeded to explain why they had not reached their conclusion about the necessity of Protection at an earlier date. It was because they had hoped against hope that European conditions would improve, and automatically solve the unemployment problem. But that hope had been disappointed.

The responsibility for initiating the policy on which they went to the country was his alone. No one had forced him into it—"I am not so malleable as that"—and its failure to capture the electorate left him with no regrets for himself, but only for those who had fallen.

The Conservative Party was still securely based. "Do hon. gentlemen behind me look like a beaten army?" he asked, to receive the reply in thunderous applause from his supporters.

If Mr. Baldwin wants to remain Conservative leader, his speech to-night has made his position secure.

LIBERAL VIEWS.

Commander Kenworthy rose to continue the debate. It being close upon the dinner adjournment, few members stayed to listen to the hon. member from Central Hull, who, notwithstanding his recent serious illness, made a brave show. He was one of those who rejoiced to think the Conservative Party were being sent into the wilderness, where he hoped they would stay.

Captain Frederick Guest was one of the few Liberals who were anxious to be given an opportunity of recording an anti-Socialist vote. He was followed by Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Labour member for Mr. Bottomley's old constituency of South Hackney, and it was a possible spurce of gratification to the hon. member that it was during his speech that the Prince of Wales and his brother, the Duke of York, entered the House, and took their usual seats over the clock.

THE LABOUR LEADER.

Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, winding up the debate for the Opposition, said that it was urged against Socialism that it desired to lay its hands upon Capital, with a view of squeezing it. That was, on the contrary, the view which Socialists took of the present holders of capital. To-night's vote would mark an epoch. He appealed to the House, if the amendment is carried, to let the Address through, so that Labour might be enabled to govern without being hampered, and be able to carry into effect the social reforms mentioned in the King's Speech.

As to Socialism, he agreed that there was a great deal of fear about. But he denied that it was well-founded. In conclusion, he agreed that no one could envy the future Prime Minister; but he appealed for a vote in the interests of sound political policy and the best interests of the nation.

The debate was concluded by the Attorney-General, Sir Douglas Hogg. The real question for the House to decide, he said, was whether the Liberal Party preferred that the country should be governed by a Conservative or a Socialist Administration. Did they (the Liberals) believe in the co-operation of all classes or in the class-struggle as advocated by the Socialists? Did they think that negotiations with France would be better conducted by a Conservative Government or by a party which was affiliated to an International body, with its headquarters at Hamburg?

Mr. Macdonald protested against this as a misrepresentation, but the Attorney-General, with quotations from official Labour publications, confirmed it. Some telling quotations from Labour attacks upon Liberalism concluded a sparkling speech, which added to Sir Douglas Hogg's reputation as a debater.

At 11 o'clock the question was put. So many members flocked into the lobbies that it was fully a quarter of an hour before the figures were declared. They were:—

For the amendment	328
Against	256
Majority against the Government	72

The result was received with very little excitement, but some question was raised when the Speaker put the main question.

MR. BALDWIN'S CASE.

A GALLANT DEFENCE.

Mr. Baldwin was received with loud Ministerial cheers. He said: "I will begin by remarking that I have realised at last what I have always been told—that gratitude in political life is the rarest of virtues. I say that because against all the charges of vacillation and indolence and pusillanimity which have been brought against the Government not one word has been said of that great healing work which I accomplished—the reconciliation of Mr. Asquith and Mr. Lloyd George. (Loud laughter and Ministerial cheers.) What was beyond the power of the Liberal Party to do I did. (Laughter and cheers.)

I remember once asking a friend of mine, who was going on a British vessel to Australia: "Are you taking your wife with you?" He replied: "The ship is not yet built which will hold the missus and me." (Loud laughter.) That is what Mr. Asquith would have said last October. (Laughter.) The reconciliation reached such a point that at the meeting of the Liberal Party Mr. Lloyd George said that Mr. Asquith had made a statesmanlike utterance. Mr. Lloyd George, however, had been said to hold a good politician far higher than a statesman—(laughter)—so he hoped that the Liberal leader would not be puffed up; because this remark merely made him a second-class passenger. (Laughter.)

The position of the parties in the House is, indeed, a curious one (said Mr. Baldwin). We have been accused of committing suicide. There are worse crimes than suicide. (Laughter.)

The Liberal leader is like an obstetric physician who is about to bring a child into the world, and who says "if that child is not such as I fancy it should be when it is born I shall smother it." (Laughter.) Though I do not like to pronounce a verdict on such a thorny question of ethics, I think infanticide is worse than suicide. (Loud laughter.)

WHAT IS PROGRESS?

But after all, we must not forget that we are to be put out of office by the votes of a Progressive Party. Progress is not necessarily forward. (Laughter and Ministerial cheers.) In 1906 the Liberals had 376 members of Parliament, in January, 1910, they had 275; in December 1910, they had 270, in 1918 they had 167, in 1922 they had 115, and at the last election, by polling our voters to help them to keep out the Socialist Party—(Ministerial cheers)—and with the aid of the Dear Food cry, they added forty more. That is a form of progress which we enjoy. (Ministerial cheers.) Mr. Austen Chamberlain put the case very forcibly this afternoon. (Cheers.) I wonder that it does not move the tender heart of the Leader of the Opposition, to ride into power on the death of one of the old historic parties. Does he not say with Dryden,

"Oh! rather let me perish in the strife
Than have my crown the price of David's life."

(Loud laughter.)

I see an unhappy hour for my right hon. friend when he meets one whose absence we all regret—Sir Alfred Mond—(laughter)—who helped me to carry the Safeguarding of Industries Bill—(laughter and cheers)—the most powerful exponent of the anti-Socialist case. What will he do when Sir Alfred Mond fixes him with his "mild and magnificent eye"—(laughter)—and says in those well-known tones, "Is this the face that launched a thousand ships?" I wish I could be there to hear the answer. (Laughter.)

In the member for Derby (Mr. J. H. Thomas) I think we have a true successor to the author of the "imaginary Conversations" (Laughter.) Should the millions of Lord Rothermere be offered to him for the work of his pen when he is out of office he might make his name go down to the ages as the Georgian Lauder. (Laughter.)

SOMETHING DONE.

We have been challenged for doing nothing when in office, but we have done one or two things. We have more nearly carried out all we promised in the King's Speech than any Government for years. (Cheers.) We settled the American debt. (Ironical Opposition cheers.) We have made some useful remissions of taxation, and we have, through a period of very great difficulty, maintained the *Entente*. (Ministerial cheers.) We have made a Treaty with the Turk, and have practically settled the Tangier difficulty. We have also practically settled the difficulty between ourselves and the United States in the matter of boot-legging, and we leave our relations with the United States better than they have ever been. We have done more with regard to unemployment than any other Government. To-day we leave for our successors no outstanding problems—(Opposition laughter)—except the problem as regards reparations, the French question (which is more hopeful to-day than for a long time), and the question of unemployment.

We have been criticised for having placed our fate in the hands of this House, and not having resigned in December. It was a nice point to decide in the absence of exact precedents. My personal desire would have been to take a holiday as soon as possible, and I think that would have been the desire of most persons in my position. After consulting various authorities, I was convinced that the proper constitutional course in a case with three parties of varying strength, but with none having an absolute majority, was to submit to the will of the House. (Ministerial cheers.) I do not think that anyone who has seriously considered this question would deny that it has been a great benefit in this novel position that we have had a month for quiet reflection. (Hear, hear.)

As to the way in which the Government brought their policy before the country at the dissolution, there are some members who are genuinely puzzled as to why we did not come to the conclusion at which we arrived in the autumn earlier in the year. I think the explanation is simple. We, and the Government before us, had always hoped against hope that the condition in Europe would so improve that normal trade conditions might be soon restored, and that, with normal trade conditions, it might be proved that the unemployment in this country was epidemic, and not endemic, and that it would yield to the growing improvement in trade throughout the world. It has been alleged against us that we were an inexperienced Government. There is an element of truth in that.

It is very difficult for anyone who has not had the responsibility of holding the first office under the Crown to get that width of vision which is necessary to enable him to form a reasoned judgment on the gravest matters of international affairs. And it was not until I had held office for about a couple of months that I formed the opinion that the restoration of normal trade conditions in Europe is going to be a much longer process than anybody has anticipated—(Ministerial cheers)—and it may be years before we can look for relief from that quarter. Those who succeed us will have to deal with this question, because it is here, and they will have to come to a conclusion as to whether the unemployment from which we suffer now is of a nature that can be cured soon, or whether we are going to have it with us on the scale that we have had it for years to come.

TWO NEW FACTORS.

I tell them that there are two factors new since the war, which they will have to take into consideration—which we all have to take into consideration whatever views we may hold on the fiscal question. Unless some solution of that can be found, they will find the whole matter one of almost insoluble difficulty. One difficulty is the restriction of markets almost throughout the world, partly from the growth of tariffs, and partly from increased poverty. The other difficulty is one to which no one except myself has called attention, and I should be very glad to see it investigated. It is—that we in this country had to pay, not only for food and raw materials, but also for a large quantity of manufactured goods, by the export of our manufactured goods. Over and above all that, we have now to find some thirty millions or more a year in payment of the debt and interest to America, which has to be found ultimately in these exports.

Now, that is putting a tremendous strain on the country, and the question has come into my mind whether it may not be possible that the effort to provide this mass of exports at the present day may not be beyond our strength as an industrial nation, and may not be leading to the forcing out of exports at prices that cannot pay either the manufacturer or the workman. (Ministerial cheers.) If it be true that we are getting to that which is a kind of saturation point in exports, it makes it all the more necessary to examine whether we are not entering upon an economic stage when a certain restriction of exports is necessary, both for the exchanges and the welfare of this country. I think that is a field of inquiry that is well worth investigation by all those who have devoted expert attention to it.

A Conservative member—"Imports?"

Mr. Baldwin—No; exports. (Ironical Opposition cheers.) I want hon. members to realise that this is a point of substance, and any of them who may be called to take office will have to deal with these matters. This is a position, you must remember, that has never occurred before. It is obvious that it is going to be an extraordinarily difficult question for all the industrial countries of the world. (Applause.)

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY.

One or two words of a personal nature. I think it is only fair that I should make this statement with regard to the policy upon which the Government went to the country. The responsibility for that policy was mine, and mine alone. (Ministerial cheers.) It was the decision of a united Government when we went to the country; but any report that anyone may have read that I was driven by anyone else—I am not quite so malleable as that—to adopt this course is entirely wrong. (Ministerial Cheers.) I have myself, and for myself, no regrets. (Loud Ministerial Cheers). I have many regrets for those who fell in the fight. For myself, I have a clear conscience, and have the best friends that any man ever had. (Renewed Ministerial cheers.) If I have an enemy, perhaps, that enemy is as great an honour to me as the friendship of those who fought with me. What more can a man want? (Cheers.)

I think I should say a word as to our attitude, if the division results as we all expect. I said the other day that we should not indulge in fractious or factious opposition, but we shall be critical, as an Opposition should be, both of legislation and administration. It is difficult for us to say more, as we do not know what the policy of the new Government will be.

We do not know whether the Jacobins or the Girondins are coming in; but of this I am quite sure—that Mr. Ramsay Macdonald will not be able to build up yet the Socialist State on the shifting sands of about one-fifth of the national vote, and we shall be ready at all times to fight the policy which has been blazed in the light of day on so many platforms throughout the country. (Ministerial cheers.) I am not one of those who think that what is blazed on the platform is necessarily carried into effect in this House. (Applause.) We have all heard of ninepence for fourpence—(laughter)—and we sometimes hear to-day of even a pound for fourpence. But until I see it I shall be sceptical.

NO APPREHENSION.

We on these benches look to the future not only with no apprehension, but with confidence. (Ministerial cheers.) The future lies between the Labour Party and ourselves. (Cheers.) On this side of the House we are not afraid of social reform. Members of our party were fighting for the working classes when members, or the ancestors of members, opposite were shackled by *laissez faire*. Disraeli advocated combination among the agricultural labourers years before the agricultural labourer had a vote, and when he first began to preach the necessity of sanitation in the crowded centres of this country the Liberal Party called it a policy of sewage. (Ministerial cheers and laughter.)

THREE BASIC PRINCIPLES.

We found ourselves on three basic principles, as we have done for two generations past—the maintenance of the institutions of our country, the preservation and development of the Empire, and the improvement and efficiency of our people. (Ministerial cheers.) We adapt to the changing needs of each generation those principles. Do my friends behind me look like a beaten army? (Cheers.) We shall be ready to take up the challenge from any party whenever it is issued, wherever it is issued, and by whomsoever it is thrown down. (Cheers.)

THE REV. S. MACKEY WATT.

The Rev. Samuel Mackey Watt, Incumbent of Inishmacsaint, near Enniskillen, Co. Fermanagh, died on Sunday evening. He was taken ill while preaching the sermon at the morning Service, and did not regain consciousness.

Mr. Watt was a Cambridge man, and was ordained in 1900 at Llandaff as curate of Llantrisant, near Cardiff. He was curate of Dinas with Pen-y-Graig, near Pontypridd, from 1900 to 1903; Kirkby-in-Cleveland, Yorkshire, until 1905, when he came to Ireland as curate of Dundalk for a year. From 1906 to 1909 he was a licensed preacher in the diocese of Ely, and then became curate of St. Andrew-the-Less, Cambridge. In 1910 he was appointed incumbent of Inishmacsaint.

Mr. Watt was a widower, and leaves three children. Last week his engagement to Miss S. E. Mayne, Aughnamullagh House, Monaghan, was announced, and the marriage was to have taken place on February 14.

LADY KEMP.

The death was announced at Toronto yesterday of Lady Kemp, wife of Sir Edward Kemp, who was Minister of the Overseas Forces of Canada during the great war.

MR. FRANK HENDERSON.

The death has occurred of Mr. Frank Henderson, son of Lord Farringdon, at Ermelo Hospital, after a fortnight's illness. Mr. Henderson, says a Johannesburg telegram, had been farming for years near Lake Chrissie, and was a well-known figure at the Rand Agricultural Show.

President Coolidge has nominated Mr. Edward N. Hurley to the Democratic vacancy on the Debt Funding Commission.

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DUBLIN AND THE PROVINCES.

DUBLIN.

OVERLOADED HORSE: £3 FINE.—In the Dublin Police Court yesterday, Michael Gallagher, 13 Little Mayor street, was fined £3 for ill-treating a horse by overloading it in Grafton street. A veterinary surgeon said that he had examined the horse, which was in good condition. A load of three tons was not too much for a horse of this class. The magistrate said that it had been proved that the weight on the lorry was two tons sixteen cwts., which was too much.

CONNAUGHT.

EX-CIVIC GUARD'S LAPSE.—For the theft of a small sum of money, some cigarettes, matches, and other articles from the Co-operative Stores, Carraroe, Co. Galway, Daniel Twomey, a native of Macroom, an ex-member of the Civic Guard, was, at Galway, yesterday, sentenced to two months' imprisonment, the order not to take effect if the accused man leaves the district within a week and pays £1 3s. 8d. compensation.

ILLEGAL DISTILLATION.—For distilling alcoholic liquor, on which duty had not been paid, Michael Kelly, Headford, Co. Galway, was at Headford District Court yesterday fined £12, or in default three months' imprisonment.

LEINSTER.

LAND FOR EX-SERVICEMEN.—Under the scheme for the provision of land for ex-soldiers and sailors, a Land Commission Inspector visited the Ardamine Estate, near Courtown Harbour, Co. Wexford, and allotted parcels of land, ranging from ten to thirty acres, to twenty applicants.

MUNSTER.

EARLY MORNING FAIRS UNDESIRABLE.—At a meeting of the North Tipperary Farmers' Association in Nenagh, a discussion took place on the custom of holding the Nenagh cattle fairs at daybreak, and it was eventually decided to ask the Cattle Traders' Association to adopt the Cork system of starting fairs at one o'clock. It was stated that cattle were subjected to a great "hammering" in the very early morning, and until they were put into trucks at the railway station, and it militated against them.

COW TESTING ASSOCIATION.—A branch of the Cow Testing Association was formed in Nenagh on Saturday, when Mr. T. O'Regan, organiser, explained the aims and objects of the movement. A large number of members were enrolled.

BANDON UNION ESTIMATE.—Bandon Guardians have adopted an estimate of £8,151, or £2,159 less than that of last year. The reduction is equal to a rate of 7d. in the £.

County Kildare Archæological Society will meet in Naas Town Hall to-morrow morning, at 11.30.

Mr. C. T. Kennedy, solicitor, Skibbereen, County Cork, has been appointed Sub-Sheriff of County Cork.

The Great Southern Hotel, Killarney, which has been occupied by soldiers, first British and then Free State, since July, 1920, has been vacated.

Thomas Leach, an old age pensioner, who lived alone at Silke's Cottages, Kill o' the Grange, was found dead in bed yesterday. He had been subject to heart trouble.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

ALLEGED PERJURY.—At Omagh yesterday, Mary Gallagher, of Tantramurray, a married woman, was committed for trial on a charge of perjury at a revision court held in Omagh on November 6 last, by stating that she was 35 years of age, whereas she was born in the year 1898. Arthur Birtles, Lisnamallard, Omagh, was charged with perjury by swearing that he was the tenant of a house of which his wife was tenant. He also was committed for trial.

LATE CONSTABLE COOKE.—The funeral of Special Constable Joseph Cooke, Newtownhamilton, who was drowned in the Victoria Lock, Newry, when going on duty, took place on Sunday in Newtownhamilton Parish Churchyard. A hundred and fifty Special police attended, and there was a very large gathering of the general public. Wreaths were sent by the Royal Ulster Constabulary and Specials of Armagh and Co. Down.

CENSUS OF BELFAST CHILDREN.—Sergeants from the police districts of Belfast attended at Musgrave street Barracks yesterday morning to make the necessary arrangements in connection with the taking of a census of children in the city for the education authority.

UNMITIGATED POTEEN FINES.—James McCrory was fined £100 at Omagh yesterday, says our Correspondent, and given three months in which to pay, for having twenty gallons of "wash" on his lands. He denied all knowledge of the stuff. His son, Ferdinand, was fined £10 for being in possession of a pint of poteen, which was found in a bottle in his pocket.

EX-SERVICE MEN'S CLUB.—The Ulster ex-Service Men's Association plans to take over and equip premises at 54 Royal avenue, Belfast (lately occupied by the Christian Scientists), as a club and headquarters office.

LICENCES REFUSED.—It was stated at the Belfast Licensing Sessions yesterday that 90 per cent. of the applications for licences had been refused.

Miss Sydney Alice Malone, second daughter of Mr. John Malone, Roy Hill, Cookstown, will be called to the Bar next week at Gray's Inn.

David Lindsay, an employé of the Belfast Electricity Department, died yesterday from burns caused by accidentally touching a live wire.

DUBLIN PRESBYTERIAN ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING.

PROBLEM OF ATTRACTING MEMBERS.

Mr. Serjeant Hanna, K.C., presided at the sixty-first annual meeting of the Presbyterian Association last night at 16 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin.

The High Sheriff (Alderman Hubbard Clark), moving the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, regretted that Senator Brown, K.C., was not able to be with them. As this was the first public appearance of the President as head of the Association, it was his duty to congratulate him upon taking the chair, and also to congratulate the Association on securing his services as President. (Hear, hear.) With regard to the Association, it was now entering on its sixty-first year. During that long period it had been a great source of strength to the Presbyterian Church, from which had been recruited many of the leaders of the commercial life of the community. (Hear, hear.)

That was more true to-day than ever it was; for at no time in the history of the Association were their members taking a greater interest in the well-being of the State than at the present moment. Members of their Association were members of the Senate and of the Dail and of almost every public organisation which stood for good government and the general amelioration of the condition of the city and counties.

He had been asked by some of the members about the debt of £1,000 this year, when it was only hundreds last year; but, having suggested that they should look at the capital account, he heard nothing more of the matter. The destruction of their premises and the fact that they were not receiving any rent accounted for a big balance against them. Bad as the situation was, it would have been considerably worse were it not that a sum of something over £2,000 had been subscribed by a comparatively few members of the Association. They hoped to receive compensation for the premises they had lost, and that money would put them in a more satisfactory position.

Mr. William McMillan seconded the motion.

Mr. Craig, replying to a member, said that the membership last year was 616, and this year it was between 590 and 600; but he believed that a number would come in before the accounts were closed. One hundred and fourteen new members joined and 100 left, owing to removals, death, and so on.

The resolution was adopted.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT.

Mr. William Hewatt, T.D., proposed that Mr. Serjeant Hanna, K.C., should be elected President of the Association. He said that in him the Association had the right man in the right place, and the Association required just such a man with Serjeant Hanna's qualifications. The Association had not in the past attracted the young men and women of the Church. They had fine premises, which should largely increase the usefulness of the Association in making it a home for young men and women from the country; and Presbyterianism of the future depended on the young people. Were they doing their best to attract the young people into the Association? He thought not, and he thought that they ought have their football team, their tennis club, their ladies' hockey team, badminton, and, though it might be considered heresy to say it, their jazz entertainment. (Laughter.) They had gone through a big crisis and were at the parting of the ways, and the Presbyterian Association, under the new President, ought to enter the new phase, and cater for the amusement of the young people of the Church.

Mr. John Bartley seconded the proposal. He said they would be all delighted to see Mr. Serjeant Hanna as their President. His appointment to the office of President of the Association would be beneficial to the community and to the Presbyterian Church and to that institution. (Hear, hear.)

The motion was adopted.

The President thanked the Association for the honour it had conferred on him. He said that, while he did not want to appear like a new broom, there were many things in the Association which they should not, and could not, change, but he thought that the time had come, as Mr. Hewatt had indicated, when a progressive movement should be made. The Presbyterians were not a wealthy body, but they had no very poor people among them, and, though they might not be numerous, still the worth of any section in the community was not estimated by its number, but by the value of its citizens and what their public spirit was worth to a new State.

He agreed that the membership was not what it should be. They would have to move with the times, and it might be that they would have to introduce other things, and he would not hesitate to introduce any form of innocent amusement to bring the young people together. He said it with all reverence, that young people would not come to a prayer meeting in that house, and they would have to consider seriously an advance in the methods of attracting young people to the Association. (Hear, hear.)

On the motion of Mr. T. M. Batchin, the Rev. R. K. Hanna was unanimously re-elected Vice-President; and, on the motion of Mr. H. W. Stephens, Messrs. J. A. Kinnear and F. T. Eason were elected hon auditors.

The Committee was re-elected on the motion of Mr. J. Rowland, seconded by Mr. J. C. Henry.

SCEPTIC IRREGULAR.

ALLEGED THREAT TO HARM A CLERGYMAN.

At a special Court in Cork, yesterday, Alfred Monahan, *alias* Joe McSweeney, of Kinsale, was charged on remand with having on certain dates in 1922 converted property of the Free State Government to his own use, maliciously burned down a building at Kinsale, and used threatening language towards the Rev. Jeremiah Cullinane, Roman Catholic curate of the parish of Belgooly, Kinsale.

Mr. Casey, State Solicitor, said that the accused had stated that Father Cullinane had cursed the Irregulars and had given information to the National troops. The accused had threatened to have Father Cullinane shot.

Father Cullinane identified the accused as the man who entered his house on the 13th October, 1922. The accused charged the witness with having in church cursed the Irregulars for having cut down trees near Ballymartle Church in order to prevent people from going to Mass. The accused also challenged the truth of certain statements the witness made in a sermon in which he attributed the deaths of certain Irregulars to Divine vengeance. The accused called into question the truth of another statement the witness made in church to the effect that a certain Irregular had walked out from Crosshaven Church on a Sunday morning during the reading of the Bishops' Pastoral, and that that same individual was thrown from the pillion seat of a motor bicycle on the same Sunday afternoon and was killed. The witness held that that was an act of Divine vengeance, "quick, sudden, and decisive." The witness further stated that the accused taunted him with having given information to the National forces regarding the movements of Republicans, and that he had parted from him saying, "I would not shoot you myself, but there are others who would." The accused was then, to the best of the witness's recollection, armed with two revolvers.

The witness, in cross-examination, was asked by Mr. Campbell, for the accused, as to whether he, himself, was armed on the occasion of the interview with the accused.

The Witness—That has nothing to do with the case.

Mr. Campbell—Answer, please. Were you armed?

The Witness—I refuse to answer. I am not the accused.

The accused was remanded on bail.

Owing to the postponement of the opening of the new French Courts in Syria to February 1, the British Consular Courts will continue to have jurisdiction until that date in virtue of authority issued on January 16 by Lord Curzon.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE.

Open Competition. 50 Vacancies, Spring, 1924. Age 18-22. ELEVEN SUCCESSES AT LAST EXAM. (Limited Competition), August, 1923. BEST RESULT. Special Oral and Correspondence Classes now working. Intending Candidates should enrol at once.—SKERRY'S COLLEGE, 76 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin.—(Advt.)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

WILLIAM III. AND LORD GLENAVY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Lord Glenavy in his speech in the Senate of the Irish Free State in criticism of the Judiciary Bill—a speech on which for the present I do not desire to comment—has fallen, no doubt through a momentary inadvertence, into an error on a matter of fact which should, I think, be corrected. He said: "The independence of the English Bench was purely a tradition, and it arose from the fact that since William III. they could only be removed for misconduct."

In the debates in the Convention of 1689 previous to the Declaration of Rights several speakers insisted on making the Judges' commissions during life or good behaviour instead of at the discretion of the Crown, but this provision was omitted in the hasty and imperfect Bill of Rights. The commissions, however, of William's English Judges ran during life or good behaviour, but, as their tenure was not secured by law, it must be regarded as, notwithstanding their commissions, precarious. "William III.," writes Mr. Hallam, "gave an unfortunate instance of his very injudicious tenacity of bad prerogatives in refusing his assent in 1692 (the year of the Massacre of Glencoe) to a bill that had passed both Houses (of the English Parliament) for establishing this independence of the Judges by law and confirming their salaries." Bishop Burnet, indeed, states that it was represented to the King by some of the Judges themselves that it was not fit they should be out of all dependence on the Court.

One at least of William's English Judges retained a judicial office which he manifestly disgraced, although William could have removed him. In 1695 Sir John Trevor, who was Speaker of the House of Commons and Master of the Rolls, was reported by a Committee of the House of Lords to have received from the City of London a thousand guineas for expediting a local bill. As soon as the report of the Committee had been read in the House of Commons it was moved that the Speaker had been guilty of a high crime and misdemeanour. He had to stand up and put the question and was forced to declare that the "Ayes" had it. Had he returned to the House on the following day, he would have had to put the question for his own expulsion. He "fell sick"; another Speaker was appointed, and on the day after the new Speaker entered on his functions Sir John Trevor was expelled from the House of Commons, but, notwithstanding his expulsion for corruption from the assembly over which he had presided as Speaker, this disgraced favourite of William III. was allowed to retain the judicial position of Master of the Rolls and his seat in the Privy Council.

The Act of Settlement, which was passed in 1701, did not come into operation till the accession of George I. in 1714. An important provision of that Act secured the independence of the English Judges. The independence of the Irish Judges was not secured by a provision similar to that contained in the Act of Settlement till 1782. English Ministers, to use the words of Mr. Froude, "had been peculiarly tenacious of their power to remove them at will."—Yours, etc.,

J. G. SWIFT MACNEILL.

Dublin, January 20th, 1924.

NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—In the general reconstruction which it is the aim of the Saorstat to achieve, it is to be hoped that the greater things will not be lost sight of while pursuing the lesser, and that a superfluity of sentiment will not prevail against common-sense. Several large grievances—we got credit for complaining of many other and trifling ones—were the outstanding complaints of this country against the misgovernment of Westminster. Let me instance the starvation of education, the unfair incidence of taxation, the absence of encouragement for enterprises of a public nature which should have been encouraged by the State, and the failure to foster and encourage the trade of Ireland and develop her resources.

All these matters are now in our hands. We have the spending of our own money as we have the raising of it. The British Treasury used to be blamed for parsimonious treatment of matters requiring the expenditure of public money in this country. I hope we will not have to say that similar treatment will have to be complained of under the new *régime*. Nothing appears to me to be of more supreme, urgent and practical importance now than the encouragement of commerce with other countries and the providing of facilities therefor. Money spent in this direction will be well invested money, and it will be a wise administration that will judiciously dispose of public funds, or utilise the national credit to raise funds, to faster the long-neglected foreign trade of Ireland. I am not going into technicalities; it is only necessary to state that the greater the facility for import, the less the cost of transit and the cheaper the article to the consumer here; while, on the other hand, the means of reaching foreign markets being more expeditious, the better we are able to hold our own with competitors there.

The roads are in process of being looked after. The railways and canals are capable of improvement. These, too, have received some attention. Postal facilities will doubtless improve, though there are many who think the Free State might see the wisdom of losing something on the service and that the taxpayers would not begrudge the apparent loss in view of the benefits which would accrue; in other words, an efficient service at a price would pay. The Post Office, as the servant of the State, is not supposed to be a profit-making machine, nor should it be expected to work for nothing. Just as the individual pays his workman his wages, so should the State expect to pay a reasonable sum to this department for the services it renders to the community; and the better the services it renders, the better for the community.

But what about the harbours of Ireland? There was something done for them during the continuance of the Grattan Parliament. Since then the harbours, which should have been a national concern, have been allowed to languish and to depend for a precarious existence upon local efforts. Every pound spent on their development will be the very best spent pound of any that will flow through Free State coffers—pregnant with the possibilities of recompense. Had such money been spent on Irish ports during the last century, Dublin had been an overseas port instead of a cross-Channel ferry station. England wakened up during the war, when her food supplies were threatened, to the advisability of improving the Eastern ports, and sent over a Parliamentary Commission, known as the Shirley Benn Commission, to enquire into the whole matter. They did enquire, and they reported in favour of Government grants—gifts, that is to say—to supplement moneys of equal amount which the local authorities would be empowered to raise on the security of their harbour dues. So far as I know, the Western ports were not included in the scheme; but fishing stations are badly needed on those coasts, and there is no means of providing the necessary funds locally. The fisheries on all the four seas of Ireland are well worth developing and would constitute a huge national asset.

English carrying companies have hitherto practically monopolised our cross-Channel traffic. It is not too much to expect that the Free State will soon waken up to the necessity of coming to the assistance of the various port authorities in this very national concern. It would be very false economy, indeed, not to do so. It would be costly, but in the end remunerative; and the funds could be provided by other means than having recourse to revenue or placing any immediate or appreciable burden on the taxpayer.—Yours, etc.,

CHARLES J. MCGARRY.

Francis street, Dundalk,
January 21st, 1924.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE OFFICERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—A proposal is to be submitted to the Dublin Corporation at its next meeting for increases of the salaries of school attendance officers and the secretary to the committees who supervise their work by a total sum of about £500 a year. Will you permit me, as a member of one of these committees, to submit some facts which may enable the Corporation to come to a proper decision on this question?

Under the committees are employed eighteen officers, of whom ten are women. This is exclusive of four officers employed in Rathmines, Drumcondra and Clontarf. Of these eighteen officers, sixteen receive a salary of £225, which includes the bonus. It is now proposed to stabilise their salaries and increase them to a total of £260 a year. How this figure compares with salaries of similar officers in England we do not know; but it is interesting to compare the salaries and conditions in Belfast. Thirteen officers do the whole work in that difficult industrial area at a *maximum* salary of £216 a year, and all these officers are men. The result of their work is not inferior to that of Dublin. In both cities the attendance of children on the rolls of the schools is round about 80 *per cent.*

On the question whether our officers in Dublin are worth £5 a week to the community opinions may differ. When it is considered that officers have two months' holiday in the year, that their practical working day is from 10.0 till 2.30, the period of school hours, with an additional period till 5.0 p.m. for writing up notes, that their work involves little hardship or labour, and that no preliminary training is required, many will judge that £5 a week is too much pay for an easy and, in certain respects, an attractive position.

Certainly, in the case of the women officers £5 a week appears excessive. By the terms of their appointment they must be unmarried or widows. The object of this salutary rule is that home cares may not interfere with their duties as inspectors. How many women in not less responsible positions in Dublin offices and shops are earning far less—are, indeed, thankful to get work for anything between £2 and £3 a week? How many first-class workmen and clerks, often with families to keep, are earning under £4 a week? Some time ago a Northern firm advertised for a technical chemist for a bleach and dye works. Many applications were received from qualified chemists, men and women with a university degree, and the salary asked was £5 a week. Is there any reason why Corporation officials should be paid at rates much in excess of those prevailing in business and trade for work not more valuable to the community? The increased amount asked by the school attendance officers is not in itself formidable; but, if the total sum paid to Corporation officials in excess of what the same men could earn if they had to take their chance in business life could be reckoned up, it would be found to run into many thousands of pounds annually. This is the true reason why our rates are so high and the cost of living so high—a fertile source of many industrial troubles.—Yours, etc.,

G. T. C. CLEMENTS.

Dublin, January 21st, 1924.

RECEIVING SETS AND POLICE SEIZURES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I read in the newspapers that the Free State Government, on the advice of the Post Office authorities, is about to issue search warrants for the seizure of unauthorised receiving sets, and that a high Post Office official has said that the possessors of such sets "are liable to a fine or to a term of imprisonment, in addition to the confiscation of the sets." One feels sure that such acts cannot take place without the concurrence of the Law Officers of the Government. If such an entry and seizure of an inoffensive receiving set (crystal or valve) takes place, it is to be hoped that the legality of such a departmental trespass will forthwith be brought before the highest court in the land and tested, and that, no matter what court may hear the case in the first instance, there will be competent experts to show that such receiving sets are incapable of sending telegraphic messages. The Act of 1904 expressly exempts from its operation, penalty, fine or seizure all apparatus that cannot receive or send "messages" or "communications."

If there be ever a statute of the Oireachtas authorising such an entry into a private citizen's dwelling and confiscation of an innocent set suited for the reception of music from foreign countries, well and good. But till then a small spark may kindle a great fire.

Would it not be a hundred times better for the Post Office to accept the same sum as is charged for permits in the sister State, Great Britain—namely, ten shillings—and make £5,000 "easy money" for the Post Office funds every year—perhaps £10,000 the second year—and thus help to hasten the day when we might get down to three-halfpenny—if not to penny—postage in the Free State? No one would ask questions if part of the ten shillings were handed over, as in England, to any private "broadcasting company."—Yours, etc.,

"WIRELESS."

Dublin, January 21st, 1924.

THE BRITISH EMPIRE EXHIBITION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—We have read with interest the references in the Press to the recent discussion on this subject originated in the Senate by Sir Thomas Esmonde, and heartily agree with the views attributed to Senator Andrew Jameson. It may, perhaps, be of interest to mention that we also have secured space at the Exhibition and intend to exhibit biscuits and other products of our factory there, and to give a working demonstration of their manufacture with the latest type of machinery.—Yours, etc.,

W. AND R. JACOB AND CO., LTD.

Dublin, January 21st, 1924.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I think I may safely say that the statement made by Mr. McGrath, Minister for Industry and Commerce, in the Dail recently that the Government did not propose to have Southern Ireland officially represented at the Great World's Fair at Wembley this autumn has occasioned much regret and disappointment. Many think that such a valuable opportunity should not be lost of bringing the agricultural, industrial and commercial interests and products of our country under the notice of those who will visit the Exhibition. Millions of people are expected to patronise this Show.

We have all noted with pleasure the excellent and praiseworthy efforts being made in various centres by the Tourist Development Association recently formed to advertise our country. I suggest to the Executive Committee of that useful body that an official space at the Exhibition would afford them a unique and invaluable means of advertising their good intentions, and might I hope that public bodies, Chambers of Commerce and all who are interested in the industries of our country would move in this matter and urge the Government to act without delay in the right direction? I need not point out that in more ways than one it would be useful to concentrate the thoughts of

BARROW FLOODS.

LARGE AREAS UNDER WATER.

NEW DRAINAGE SCHEME.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

PORTARLINGTON, Monday.

To-day the level of the water in the channel of the Barrow at Portarlington was a foot or two lower than the highest mark last week: but there was heavy rain again in the area of the Barrow basin this morning. Even if there were a long dry spell, however, the waters would not subside to the normal level in much less than three weeks, and large areas will be waterlogged for a long time to come. A Portarlington man, who knows the whole district well, and has occasion to go about that part of the country, told me that the floods this year were worse than any he has known in the past thirteen years; and a farmer from Monasterevan said that it was longer than that since the floods were so great. This was the climax, they said, of three bad years.

"It would be a clever man who could show you the channel of the Barrow, or that of the Black River, at the present time," said one of the party. Great stretches of the country-side, as far as you can see, for example, from the height of Monasterevan Station to the north-west, have the appearance of vast lakes. The farmer said that out of 700 acres of farm land, not to mention the bogs, on his holding, there was only 30 acres showing out of the water, and the avenue to the house was a foot under water. Fortunately, in this area it has been the custom to build only on higher ground, so that the houses themselves, as a rule, are safe. They are to be seen on islands in the midst of the flood.

DEMAND FOR RELIEF.

The present flooding has caused the demand for measures of permanent relief to be taken up with renewed vigour. I had an interview to-day with Mr. W. H. Cobb, of Ballycullane, Portarlington, who, associated from his early days with this question through his father, has been secretary of deputations that have waited on successive Chief Secretaries and other Government representatives from time to time.

Mr. Cobb, who has now in hand the arrangements for pressing the matter on the attention of the present Government, explained the plan on which it is hoped now to deal with the difficulties of the Barrow drainage question. He first mentioned that the beginning of the agitation for a big and comprehensive scheme was about 1812, when the Viceroy of the time held out hope of a grant. A stock of tools for the workmen to be engaged on the scheme was actually purchased; but the Napoleonic war stopped the plan. At other times, later, the movement for a Barrow drainage scheme came nearly to a head, and in 1913 Mr. Birrell promised £50,000 for the more urgent work in the upper reaches. That work had not been put in hand when the outbreak of war in 1914 put an end to all thought of it for some years. The critical delay in that instance was due to the objection of people on the lower reaches of the Barrow to a scheme which would hasten the escape of flood-water to the lower reaches, without any preparation for dealing with it there.

The important fact in the present situation is that the people of the whole basin, through their local authorities, are now substantially agreed as to a comprehensive scheme that should be pressed for, and that the scheme is in a well-prepared state, ready to be embodied in a bill for which general support is expected. The President of the Executive Council is to be asked to receive a deputation which will urge him to take up the proposed measure as a Government measure. The deputation will further ask the Government to schedule certain preliminary work as suitable for inclusion amongst the schemes for the relief of unemployment, and to allot to this purpose a substantial amount of the unemployment relief grants.

THE DEPUTATION.

The following have been selected as members of the deputation:—Messrs. Goverey and Shackleton, representing Carlow; Messrs. Doyle and Corcoran, Athy; Messrs. Byrne, White and Lawlor, Monasterevan; Messrs. Cobbe, Costello, and Dr. Rice, Portarlington; Messrs. F. Bergin, C.E.; D. Boland, and the Dean of Kildare, representing Kildare; Messrs. O'Gorman and Goyne, Philipstown; and, for Mountmellick, Rev. C. Lawlor, Senator McEvoy, and Mr. Bayly. Mr. J. Ginnell, an engineer with experience of big schemes in many lands, will be associated with the deputation.

AMOUNT OF THE LOAN.

The features of the proposal now to be put forward as a basis for legislation are the appointment of a Commission of six persons to carry the scheme through, and to be vested with extensive powers as to acquisition of land and so on; and the fixing of a basis of contribution to the expenses of the undertaking. As regards the latter feature, it is proposed to make one-third of the amount chargeable as poor rate on the whole catchment area, and two-thirds chargeable as a special rate on an assessment of improvement in value of land expected to accrue to individual landholders in the flooded area. The amounts so raised, it is suggested, would be the amounts required to pay interest and sinking fund on a loan to be obtained from the Government. The suggested amount of the loan is £300,000.

It is estimated that if the work proposed were carried out, 60,000 acres of land at present worthless would be made productive. The area liable to damage by flood is estimated now to be greater by some thousands of acres than that estimated by the Castletown Commission in 1885.

Mr. Cobbe stated that if those concerned in the movement were guaranteed a grant from the unemployment Relief Fund it was believed that in March they could provide work for five thousand men.

THE EARL OF ATHLONE.

GREAT WELCOME IN CAPE TOWN.

The new Governor-General of South Africa, the Earl of Athlone, and Princess Alice, Countess of Athlone, received a great welcome on their arrival yesterday morning in Cape Town, says Reuter.

On their drive to the City Hall they were enthusiastically cheered by crowds in the sunlit streets. The City Hall was beautifully decorated with Cape flowers and garlands of fern, and Lord Athlone received an ovation from the assembled citizens.

The Mayor, Councillor Verster, welcomed the new Governor-General, and General Smuts, speaking on behalf of the Government and the people, said that they were proud that the King had so honoured them.

Loyal addresses were then presented, and the Earl of Athlone, in a short speech, expressed his thanks. He was astonished at the remarkable improvements in the city and the harbour, and said that at the rate that South Africa was progressing she would soon achieve a position of almost unexpected greatness and prosperity.

The ex-Queen Donna Augusta Victoria, of Portugal, has now recovered, and has returned to her home at Richmond.

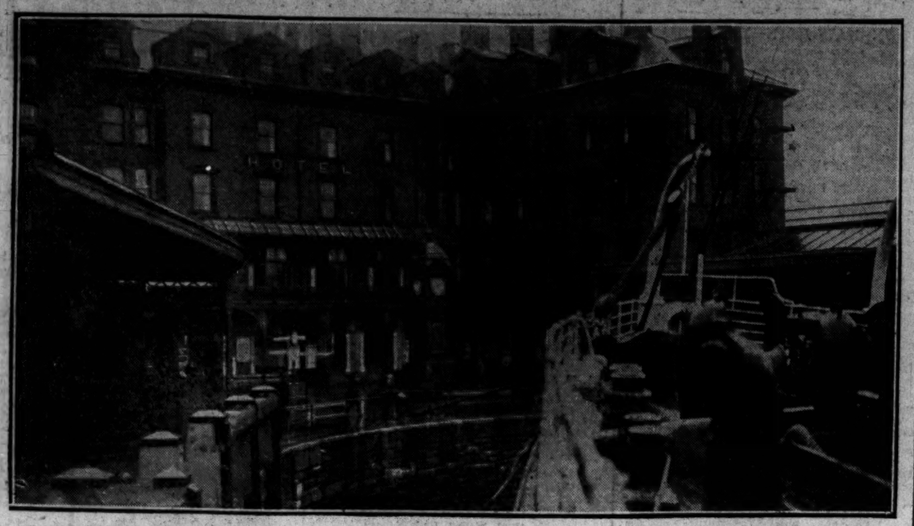
Don't Spoil Your Child's Hair By Washing It

When you wash children's hair be careful what you use. Many soaps, prepared shampoos and shampoo powders, contain too much free alkali, which is very injurious, as it dries the scalp and makes the hair brittle.

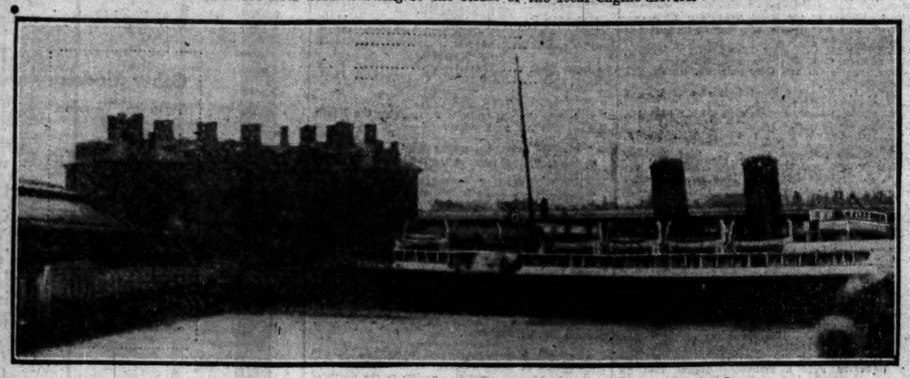
The best thing to use is Mulsified cocoanut oil shampoo, for this is pure and entirely greaseless. It is inexpensive and beats anything else all to pieces.

Two or three teaspoonfuls is all that is required. Simply moisten the hair with water and rub it in. It makes an abundance of rich, creamy lather, which cleanses thoroughly, and rinses out easily. The hair dries quickly and evenly, and is soft, fresh looking, bright, fluffy, wavy and easy to manage. Besides, it loosens and takes out every particle of dust, dirt and dandruff. You can get Mulsified cocoanut oil shampoo at all chemists and a few ounces will last for months. Be sure your chemist gives you Mulsified. Beware of imitations—look for the name Watkins on the package.

STRIKE AT HOLYHEAD: SPECIAL PICTURES.



The Mail Boat, which was run to the Town Station yesterday afternoon, as it is impossible for the train to be taken into the Pier Station owing to the strike of the local engine-drivers.



The first of the new Mail Boats to be Moored at the Town Station at Holyhead.

The Deserted Trains in the Station at Holyhead yesterday.

Photo by] *[College Studios.*

Nurse Margaret Hargadon being thanked by Major-General Murphy, Chief Commissioner of Dublin Metropolitan Police, for her noble act in trying to save the life of a policeman. Nurse Hargadon was presented with a wallet of Treasury notes on behalf of the police force. Left to Right: Assistant Commissioner Barrett, Major-General Murphy, Miss Reeves (Matron of Steevens' Hospital), another nurse who volunteered, and Nurse Hargadon, who gave her blood for transfusion.

The Marquis of Dufferin and Ava, who has lent his house, Clandeboye, County Down, to the Governor of Northern Ireland pending the build-of a Government House by the Northern Government.

Group taken yesterday at the wedding of Lieutenant J. S. Head, R.N., to Miss Moore, at St. Paul's Church, Glenageary, Co. Dublin.

From Left to Right: The Rev. Canon Given, Mrs. Moore (mother of bride), Miss M. Moore, Captain Macraith, the Bridegroom and Bride, Miss Joan Smith, Miss A. Moore, the Rev. B. Radcliffe.

POST OFFICE REFORM.

IMPERIAL PENNY POSTAGE ASKED.

At the Postal Conference held at Birmingham yesterday afternoon under the auspices of the Association of British Chambers of Commerce, Mr. Gilbert C. Wyle, of Birmingham, who presided, spoke of the necessity of improved postal facilities. He said that the Post Office had slipped back, and the facilities that it gave to-day fell far short of those we enjoyed ten or twenty years ago. He would like to hear discussed whether the Post Office could not be placed in the hands of a permanent outside Commission which, after being provided with adequate capital funds, would run this gigantic business on business lines.

The Conference unanimously carried a resolution in favour of Imperial penny postage.

Sir Arthur Balfour, President of the Association, expressed the opinion that this reduced cost of letters would not mean a loss to the Post Office.

Notice is given in the *London Gazette* that petitions for or against the grant of a charter of incorporation to the Mistress and Governors of Girton College should be delivered at the Privy Council Office on or before February 16.

MILESIAN WARRIOR'S DEATH AND BURIAL PLACE.

Donn MacMilidh, one of the chief personages concerned in the great Milesian invasion of Ireland, was the centre of interest at the meeting of the National Literary Society in Dublin last night, when a lecture dealing with the death and place of burial of the warrior was delivered by Mr. Patrick O'Donnell, of Newport. Miss Louise Kenny presided at the meeting. The lecture was followed with interest by a large audience, amongst whom was Mr. P. O'Maille, Deputy Speaker of Dail Eireann, who at the close of the lecture proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. O'Donnell.

DUBLIN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Yesterday's meeting of the Dublin Municipal Council was adjourned until Monday next in testimony of the Council's sympathy with the Lord Mayor, Alderman Laurence O'Neill, in the bereavement sustained by him through the death of his wife.

Thousands of ladies keep a box of Martin's Pills in the house. Those who use them recommend them, hence their enormous sale. Price 5s. Sold by all Chemists and Stores; or post free from Proprietors, Martin, Chemists, Southampton.—(Advt.)

EX-SOLDIERS' HOMES.

PROVISION OF COTTAGES IN IRELAND.

Mr. Bridgeman, the British Home Secretary, was asked by Mr. Dixon, M.P., whether he was prepared to give instructions to increase the number of cottage allotments under the Irish Land Act, 1919, to Northern Ireland to 1,400, in view of the fact that the ratio of the number of men who enlisted in the Army from Northern Ireland to the number enlisted from Southern Ireland was 48 to 52.

Mr. Bridgeman, in a written reply, stated that he could not agree that the ratio of the enlistments in the two areas was the primary consideration in the allocation of the number of houses between those areas. It would not be possible to increase the number of houses allotted to Northern Ireland without either decreasing the number allotted to the Irish Free State, or increasing the expenditure, neither of which alternatives His Majesty's Government was at present prepared to adopt.

MR. DAN IRVING, M.P.

It was stated last night that Mr. Dan Irving, M.P., who is ill from pneumonia, in London, was much better.

THE FREE STATE CUSTOMS.

WATERFORD MERCHANTS' COMPLAINTS.

Mr. Merry, the President, addressing a general meeting of the Waterford Chamber of Commerce yesterday on the trouble caused by the Customs regulations, said that there was some excuse for this at the beginning, but it was time that things were made a little more easy for the commerce of the community at large. When dutiable goods came into the port samples were taken and sent to Dublin for examination or analysis, and remained there for perhaps a month or two. The directors had the matter in hands, and were trying to get Waterford made a test station for the analysis of goods. He thought it disgraceful the way in which they were treated at present in this respect.

Dealing with Army accounts, he said that he knew firms in the city who had supplied the Army with goods for a year or two, and they were still owed the money, although the order for the goods was signed by competent officers. He did not think it right that the State should ask them to subscribe to their Loan when they did not try to help them, as the merchants were the backbone of the country and should get every help from the State.

Continuing, he said that it was a matter for wonder how the Irish railways had been able to carry on during the past few years. He did not see how freights and passenger rates could be reduced until things became more normal. He did not wish to refer to the strikes that had taken place in the city and county in 1923, and as an optimist he felt that if they put their shoulders to the wheel and forget the past, there was a bright future before them and the trade of the city.

INSURANCE OF MOTOR CARS.

DEMAND BY MOTOR AGENTS' ASSOCIATION.

At a general meeting of the Irish Motor Agents' Association complaint was made of the attitude of the insurance companies in continuing to omit the "theft" clause when issuing motor car insurance policies. It was agreed that, as normal conditions now prevailed in the Free State, a demand should be made to have insurance conditions put on a level with those prevailing in Great Britain.

It was reported at the meeting that practically no progress was being made with the payment of Army accounts, and that many members were being subjected to great worry, not only by the continued delay, but by the uncertainty as to whether their accounts were really under consideration. Complaints were also made regarding the deduction of arbitrary discounts.

The meeting decided to make another request for the appointment of a special Commission to deal with the subject.

DAIL FUNDS.

COMMISSION ADJOURNED INDEFINITELY.

The Commission before which evidence has been taken in connection with the disputed Dail funds collected in the United States was adjourned *sine die* yesterday by the American Consul in Dublin,, Dr. Hathaway.

The American lawyer, Mr. John F. Finerty, who is representing Messrs. Stack and de Valera, was not in attendance at Arbour Hill Barracks yesterday when the Commission sat. No witnesses were produced, and Dr. Hathaway intimated that a record would be made of these facts.

Mr. Finerty had sought to have the sitting held in the American Consulate offices, and protested last Saturday against the refusal of the Free State Government to release Messrs. Stack and de Valera on parole, so that they might give evidence at such sitting.

Mr. W. Cannon, American counsel for the Free State, was present at yesterday's proceedings with Mr. John O'Byrne.

DUBLIN ROBBERIES.

DARING HOLDS-UP IN BROAD DAYLIGHT.

The Dublin Metropolitan Police are investigating three daylight "hold-ups" in the city yesterday.

At 3 p.m. two young men, one of them armed with a revolver, raided the office of Mr. J. Boland, estate agent, Bishop street. A sum of £20 was taken from an open cash box, and two £1 notes were extracted from Mr. Boland's pocket-book.

One of the robbers wore a blue overcoat, and the other a fawn trench coat. Both had their caps drawn over their eyes.

At midday William Moreland, newsvendor, of 24 Lower Gloucester street, was stopped by two men in Eccles street and dispossessed of between £6 and £7. It is not clear whether or not the robbers were armed.

At 11.30 a.m. a man named Knowles was intercepted at Ballsbridge by two armed men, who, according to a report, mistook him for a brother, who is a rate collector.

OBITUARY.

VISCOUNT DOWNE.

Viscount Downe, of Dingley Hall, Market Harborough, and Danby Lodge, Yorkshire, died at Dingley yesterday, in his eightieth year, after an illness extending over several weeks. Viscount Downe, who was Chairman of the Northamptonshire Territorial Association, was an Honorary Major-General in the Army, and served as *Aide-de-camp* to Earl Roberts in South Africa. He had also commanded the Cavalry Brigade at the Curragh. He is succeeded by his only son, the Hon. John Dawnay, who won distinction in the South African war, and in the great war. In the latter, from 1915 to 1918, he was *Aide-de-Camp* to the Earl fo Ypres, and afterwards Military Secretary when Lord Ypres was Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. The late Lord Downe was formerly senior steward of the Jockey Club.

FOUND DEAD UNDER MOTOR CAR

Thomas Owen Thomas, 28, of Newcastle Emlyn, Carmarthenshire, a bank accountant, was, yesterday, found dead, pinned beneath his motor car on the road near Boucath. Apparently, in the darkness of Sunday night, the vehicle had run into a hedge in negotiating a corner and overturned.

FRENCH EMBARGO ON BUTTER EXPORTS.

A Paris telegram states that a decree has been issued suspending the export of butter.

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MESSRS. GOODBODY'S TOBACCO FACTORY.

AN INTERESTING RUMOUR.

Our Liverpool Correspondent telegraphs:—Inquiries made at the headquarters of Messrs. Cope, tobacco manufacturers, of Liverpool, yesterday, as to the rumoured working arrangement made between them and Messrs. Goodbody, tobacco manufacturers, Dublin, were met with the statement that any such pronouncement was absolutely premature.

The officials would neither confirm nor deny the statement.

On inquiry at Messrs. Goodbody's Dublin offices, an *Irish Times* reporter was informed that there was nothing to be said on their part, except that they were awaiting a telegraphic reply from Messrs. Cope with the intention of contradicting the statement published in a morning newspaper.

Messrs. Cope have no connection with the Imperial Tobacco Company.

TRINITY COLLEGE, DUBLIN.

DIVINITY LECTURES FOR WOMEN.

Dr. McNeile will resume his course of lectures on Friday, February 1st, at 4.45, in the Museum Buildings, Trinity College. Subject—"The Future Life." Dr. Newport White will resume his class on Wednesday, January 23rd, at 3 o'clock. Subject—"The Psalms in the Prayer Book Version."

CASE OF MR. ART O'BRIEN.

NO MODIFICATION OF PRISON REGULATIONS.

Mr. Dunnico, having asked the Home Secretary whether he had received a memorial signed by a large number of Members of Parliament and publicists, asking that Mr. Art O'Brien and other Irish prisoners shall be treated as political offenders, and that the severity of the prison regulations shall be relaxed in certain directions; and whether, in view of this memorial, and the fact that the offences of these prisoners were political in character, he is prepared to grant the concessions asked for.

Mr. Bridgeman writes:—That the answer to the first part of the question is in the affirmative, and to the second in the negative. Mr. O'Brien and the other prisoners convicted with him were sentenced by the Central Criminal Court to imprisonment in the second division, and they are being treated in accordance with the statutory rules applicable to this class of prisoner.

CONTRACT OF SERVICE.

EX-EMPLOYE'S RIGHT TO OCCUPANCY OF HOUSE.

At Midleton, Co. Cork, District Court yesterday the Midleton Gas Company sought to recover possession of a dwellinghouse occupied by a former employé of the company. The plaintiffs' case was that for the more efficient working of their business they obtained a house from Lord Midleton in which to accommodate the defendant, their stoker, and a sum of 2s. 9d. per week was deducted from his wages to cover the rent and rates of the house. The defendant last November left his employment of his own accord, but refused to give up possession of the house on the grounds that he was a legal tenant.

For the defence it was alleged that the weekly deduction of 2s. 9d. established a contract of tenancy.

The District Justice decided for the plaintiffs, saying that the contract between them and the defendant was a contract of service.

COLONEL FOWLE'S WILL.

Colonel John Fowle, C.B., C.M.G., of Braunston House, Braunston, Northants, formerly of 9 Hume street, Dublin, late Deputy Assistant Director of Remounts, Irish Command, who won the Irish Grand Military Race at the Curragh three times in succession (1902, 1903 and 1904), died on 25th September last, aged 61 years, leaving property of the gross value of £13,923 7s. 5d., with net personalty £12,056 17s. 8d. Probate of the will and codicil has been granted to his widow, Mrs. Helene Elizabeth Constance Maria Fowle, and Edward White, of 16 Molesworth street, Dublin, solicitor. The testator left his property to his wife absolutely.

THE FREE STATE HOUSING BILL.

SOME OF ITS PROVISIONS.

The Free State Government Housing Bill, the text of which was issued last night, is a short measure of twelve sections and two schedules. It is not so bulky as a printed report of all the speeches made at its introduction on Friday last.

It is very succinctly drafted, to show the intention of the Government (1) to help by grants those who build houses; (2) to ensure the supply of building materials at reasonable prices. Provision is also made for encouraging the reconstruction of existing dwelling-houses.

It is pretty well understood that the Government will make to builders free grants of sums ranging from £50 for a new three-roomed house to £90 for a five-roomed house in areas where sewers and water-mains are not available. For the former type the maximum rent must be not more than 7s. 4d½. per week, with 9s. 10d. for a four-roomed house, and 12s. 3½d. for a five-roomed house. The grants are to be reduced on scale for every month beyond one year that a house remains uncompleted.

Section 8 defines the powers of the Minister for Local Government to limit the price of building materials, including overhead charges and margin for profit. After a local inquiry into the cost of materials or appliances for house construction, he may fix the wholesale or retail price for the area. Anyone applying to building material a price higher than that fixed will be liable, on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding £50. Included among suppliers who can be so punished under the Act are all the directors of a company.

The bill, which will be read a second time on Thursday, empowers the Minister for Local Government, after consultation with the Minister for Industry and Commerce, to purchase or manufacture building materials to be sold to the builder with an addition of five per cent. to the actual cost.

ROBBERS IN A CHURCH.

NIGHT REVEL IN A VESTRY.

When the Rev. S. C. Miller, Curate of Mitcham Parish Church, opened the vestry door for matins he found the room in great disorder, surplices spoiled, wine spilt on the floor, cigarette ends and tobacco scattered everywhere, the window smashed, the safe open, and valuable plate and six bottles of Communion wine missing. On the table was a large pointed hammer.

The thieves had evidently enjoyed themselves at leisure. The remains of a feast were found, and the church linen had been used as a table napkin. A rubber stamp with the words "Not to be taken away" had been used on a number of articles which they were unable to take with them. The door communicating with the chancel, which was wedged with wood on Sunday night by Mr. Albert Champion, the parish clerk, in view of the many robberies at the church, had been attacked from the chancel side with such force that the stonework was damaged badly, but the door had not been opened. The organ had been interfered with at the keyboard and elsewhere, but whether it is seriously damaged or not is not yet known.

The thieves evidently gained an entrance to the church through a stained glass window in the nave.

Candle grease marks were found everywhere. A sixpence from an almsbox had been thrown away evidently in contempt. Even the font had been interfered with.

SEPARATE ASYLUM.

DEMAND OF LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

Louth County Council at their meeting yesterday passed a resolution reiterating the demand for a separate asylum for the county, protesting that the demand for the coming year from the Grangegorman Mental Hospital Committee was excessive. The demand for the year amounts to practically £20,000 on County Louth, and it was estimated that 300 odd patients could be accommodated in a local asylum at a saving of at least £4,000 a year.

Mr. McGahon, who moved the resolution, supported by Messrs. Murphy, M.P.; Hughes, M.P., and others, said there was not the least use in curtailing their expenditure on roads and in other directions within the county when these enormous bills came from outside.

There will be no change in the poor rate in Belfast for the coming year.

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GOSSIP FROM THE COURSE

GOOD SPORT AT LEICESTER.

BLAZING CORN SCORES CLEVERLY.

VASEY'S TREBLE.

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

LEICESTER, Monday Night.

In spite of the railway strike the racing proceeded here as usual this afternoon. There were plenty of horses for all the events, practically all the trainers with animals engaged having taken the precaution to send them overnight. The exception was Coulthwaite, who could not get his horses over from Hednesford this morning. The attendance, however, suffered very much from the failure of the railway service.

It seems that racing will be more severely affected by the strike than I anticipated when writing last night. Messrs. Pratt are very doubtful whether they will be able to bring off their Plumpton fixture, scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday. There is not much difficulty about the transit of horses to the meeting, but they are dubious about being able to get the big staff necessary for the conduct of the meeting conveyed there.

AN EXCITING FINISH.

This afternoon's racing had some bright patches, and was notable for the fact that the Doncaster trainer, Melton Vasey, turned out three winners, all of which were ridden by the comparatively unknown jockey, Braithwaite. He very nearly rode a fourth, too; for Hookwood, his mount in the Wigston Steeplechase, was only narrowly beaten by Birdcage Walk. In this race, which Holdcroft missed, a short price was taken about Phantom Bold. Sir Robert Liddell's horse, however, fell when they had only gone halfway. Cavalier, the second favourite, also ruined his chance by a bad blunder at the water.

The three outsiders—Birdcage Walk, Hookwood and A Double Escape—then had a great set-to, the first-named getting the better of the struggle by three-quarters of a length from Hookwood. A Double Escape was only a neck away third. Birdcage Walk is trained at Epsom by Captain Robin Kemp, to whose stable Joe Mack has just come from Ireland.

BLAZING CORN'S SUCCESS.

I had anticipated the absence of Turkey Buzzard from the Mapperley Handicap Steeplechase. With him out of the way it seemed a good thing for Blazing Corn. The bookmakers rose to the occasion by refusing to bet more than even money about him. Ardeen and Uproar were the only others supported at all. On a horse whose capacity to get three miles is always doubtful, Jack Anthony naturally waited with Blazing Corn. He only joined Uproar at the last fence, and, of course, on the flat he smothered him, winning with something in hand by a length and a half. Flushed finished upsides with the second.

The spectacle of an auctioneer vainly trying to induce bidders to go beyond 65 guineas for a son of Tracery would have made certain admirers of the distinguished sire weep tears of blood had they been on the course. This sum, however, was the utmost limit to which anyone would go for Telepathy after he had won the Humberstone Selling Hurdle, and at 65 guineas he was bought in by his trainer, Gilbert Bennett. He was very lucky to win by a head from the favourite, Noctifer, who swerved close home, and let up Duller on Telepathy.

Baalbek, who was one of Vasey's three winners, beat The Jester very easily in the Stayers' Handicap Hurdle, the favourite, Manister Bridge, never looking as if he had a winning chance. Vasey had just previously taken the Hinckley Selling Hurdle with Octabella's Pride, who started at 10 to 1, and beat Frizbury by a couple of lengths. She was bought in after the race for 150 guineas by Mr. Sidney Morris, the ex-Mayor of Doncaster.

TO-DAY'S CARD.

It is doubtful if the runners to-morrow will be quite as plentiful as they were this afternoon. Coulthwaite will probably be able to solve the difficulty of getting his horses to the meeting, and he certainly seems to hold a very strong hand in the January Handicap Hurdle with Harmonious, Werwolf, Stuff Gown, Potheen, and Kepplestone. The last-named has not yet run over hurdles, but he is said to be exceptionally promising. One of the quintette should win. THE RED KNIGHT, if started for the Harrington Handicap Steeplechase, should win. In his absence, SCOTTISH ARCHER, who is on the spot, may be good enough. DITCHLEY is a likely runner, with Frank Wootton up, in the Gopsall Maiden Hurdle, and will be likely to win, though he may have a little difficulty in beating the highly-bred Count Tracy, who made a promising debut behind Tranquility at Newbury.

GALTEE MORE.

BETTING FORECAST.

LEICESTER.

1.15 Race.—5 to 2 agst. Manrico, 7 to 2 Court Bleddyn, 9 to 2 Corney Grain, 6 to 1 Cheap Talk, 7 to 1 Ilderton, 8 to 1 each Warwick and Rateau, 10 to 1 Warrington, 100 to 8 each Parlour Tricks and Count Volta.

1.45 Race.—11 to 8 agst. Ditchley, 3 to 1 Count Tracy, 5 to 1 Westview, 7 to 1 Leeds United, 8 to 1 each Belmont and Main Royal, 10 to 1 Bally and Black Miner, 100 to 8 any other.

2.15 Race.—9 to 4 agst. Earl Marshall, 3 to 1 Ireland Green, 9 to 2 Potheen, 6 to 1 Boundhay, 7 to 1 each Mary Selby and Envoy, 8 to 1 each Dunchur and Kiwi, 10 to 1 each Brownstown and Dundon Lad, 20 to 1 each Dr. Proxy and Waterford Glass II., 100 to 7 any other.

2.45 Race.—2 to 1 agst. Cupid's Dart, 11 to 4 Prince Clifton, 4 to 1 Fly Boy II., 5 to 1 Heathencote, 7 to 1 each Jack Boore and The Red Knight, 8 to 1 each Jack Boore and Five For'ard and Manister Rustle, 10 to 1 Upton Lad.

3.15 Race.—6 to 4 agst. Scottish Archer, 5 to 2 Zenog, 7 to 2 Lochar, 6 to 1 Jack Boore, 7 to 1 Miss Micawber, 8 to 1 each Louvima and Radnor, 100 to 8 any other.

3.45 Race.—15 to 8 agst. Winnall, 5 to 2 Dudley, 4 to 1 Emboss, 5 to 1 Bellini, 7 to 1 Lee Bridge, 8 to 1 each Hairpin II. and Blashing Arms, 10 to 1 each Gurteenahella and The Loat, 100 to 8 any other.

"FORM" HORSES.

LEICESTER.

1.15—Manrico. 2.45—Cupid's Dart.
1.45—Ditchley. 3.15—Jack Boore.
2.15—Earl Marshall. 3.45—Winnall.
Double—Earl Marshall (nap) and Cupid's Dart.

A Student of Form.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Westminster Gazette :—To-day's best — Ditchley. Double—Ditchley and Cupid's Dart.

Daily Mirror :—Double—Cupid's Dart and Scottish Archer (nap).

Daily News :—Double—Earl Marshall and Lochar.

Daily Graphic :—Double — Westview and Aubretia.

Daily Express :—Double—Ditchley and Fly Boy II. Safety bet—Ditchley (to win).

Daily Chronicle :—Double — Earl Marshall and Cupid's Dart. "To Beat the Book"—Earl Marshall.

Daily Mail :—Special selection—Bellini.

STRABANE HARRIERS' POINT-TO-POINT RACES

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ON THURSDAY, MARCH 20th,
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—(Advt.)

Vasey trained three of the winners at Leicester yesterday—Octobella's Pride, in the Hinckley Hurdle Handicap; Baalbek, in the Stayers' Hurdle Handicap; and Pickwell, in the Novices' Steeplechase, Braithwaite having the mount in each case.

LEICESTER RESULTS.

1.15—HINCKLEY (S.) HANDICAP HURDLE of £300. 2 m.

Mr. Morris's ch. f. OCTABELLA'S PRIDE, by Killiney's Pride—Octabella, 5, 11-3 ... Braithwaite 1
Mr. Mosley's FRIZBURY, 9, 10-11 ... C. King 2
Miss Coulman's PHAROH, 5, 11-3 ... R. Lyall 3
Also ran—Prolific (Tidey), Sun Chap (J. Anthony), Ranter (E. Barker), Glen Eagle (F. Rees), Plus Fours (A. Escott), Croissant D'Or (Rennison), Purple Rider (Mr. Parry), Ace of Diamonds (Shedden), Fortune (T. Moreau), Artemesia (J. Hamey), Off 1.15. (Winner trained by Vasey).

Betting—7 to 2 each Ranter and Plus Fours, 4 to 1 each Glen Eagle and Sun Chap, 10 to 1 OCTABELLA'S PRIDE or any other.

Won by two lengths; half a length.

The winner was bought in for 155 gns.

1.45—STAYERS' HANDICAP HURDLE of £150. 3 m.

Mr. Mollekin's ch. c. BAALBEK, by Aleppo—Jubilee, 6, 10-7 ... Braithwaite 1
Mr. R. Davison's THE JESTER, 6, 10-13 ... K. Piggott 2
Mr. Reed's SIMON'S GLORY, 8, 10-8 ... Gurney 3
Also ran :—Golden Melody (F. B. Rees), Lord Thanet (H. Jones), Manister Bridge (Tighe), Harrismith (F. Brookes), Tower Hill (A. Smyth), Gilcrux (Wandby), Castle in Spain (Stott), Murky Past (R. Lyall), Jump for Joy (Truelove), Walton Heath (Owner), Ronsham (H. Bletsoe). Off 1.45. (Winner trained by Vasey.)

Betting—9 to 4 agst. Manister Bridge, 4 to 1 each BAALBEK and The Jester, 6 to 1 each Gilcrux and Tower Hill, 7 to 1 Golden Melody, 10 to 1 Harrismith, 100 to 7 bar seven.

Won by three lengths; a length and a half.

2.15—HUMBERSTONE (S.) HURDLE of £150. 2 m.

Mr. G. Bennett's TELEPATHY, by Tracery—Lottina, 6, 11-9 ... G. Duller 1
Mr. Payne's NOCTIFER, 5, 11-5 ... F. Brookes 2
Mr. Savill's LEVANTINE, 5, 11-5 ... J. Anthony 3
Also ran :—Holy Wizard (J. Barry), My Pal (J. Hamey), Floreat Actona (A. Wandby), Beanchief (Trudgill), Son o' Lomond (Bridalthwaite), Never Mind (Mr. Delmege), Aquatamia (F. B. Rees), Earn's Glen (D. Colbert), Fine Gold (A. Escott), Stellation (Croney), Barnaby Rudge (K. Piggott), Charlie's Gift (R. Lyall), Ibstock (W. Lees). Off 2.18. (Winner trained by G. Bennett).

Betting—9 to 4 agst. Noctifer, 4 to 1 each TELEPATHY and Aquatamia, 5 to 1 Levantine, 100 to 7 bar four.

Won by a head; four lengths.

The winner was bought in for 65 guineas.

2.45—MAPPERLEY HANDICAP 'CHASE of £250. 3 m.

Mr. Kershaw's b. or br. g. BLAZING CORN, by Cornstalk—Resin, 10, 12-3 ... J. Anthony 1
Mr. Kinahan's UPROAR, 9, 10-11 ... Trudgill 2
Lt.-Col. E. Phillips' FLUSHED, 8, 10-7 ... Tidey 3
Also ran—Ardeen (J. Mulcahy), Prudhomme (G. Goswell), The Bore (Trustlove), Snapper (R. Clarke). Off 2.48. (Winner trained by Anthony.)

Betting—Evens BLAZING CORN, 5 to 1 agst. Ardeen, 6 to 1 Uproar, 10 to 1 bar three.

Won by a length and a half; half a length.

3.15—WIGSTON 'CHASE of £150. 2 m.

Mr. Austen's BIRDCAGE WALK, 7, 10-0 ... Speck 1
Mr. J. Burgess' HOOKWOOD, 8, 10-11 ... Braithwaite 2
Mr. Adams' A DOUBLE ESCAPE, 10, 11-8 ... T. Morean 3
Also ran :—Cavalier (J. Anthony), Garryvoe (Burford), Phantom Bold (Wandby), Sherwood Forester (Goswell), Anzac III. (Mr. Prioleau), Wild Times (Trustlove). Off at 3.18. (Winner trained by Kemp.)

Betting—11 to 10 agst. Phantom Bold, 5 to 2 Cavalier, 6 to 1 each Garryvoe and Sherwood Forester, 10 to 1 BIRDCAGE WALK or any other.

Won by three-quarters of a length; a neck.

3.45—NOVICES' 'CHASE of £150. 2 m.

Mr. Mollekin's ch. c. PICKWELL, by Picton—Welfare 5, 11-4 ... Braithwaite 1
Mr. Hardinge's MANISTER FIELD, 6, 11-7 ... G. Goswell 2
Mr. W. Knight's BALLYMACKNEY, 8, 11-11 ... Mr. Hilliard 3
Also ran :—Bezique (P. Mullen), Hymir (Mr. Prioleau), Knockanour (Mr. Delmege), Mister Dooley (Burney), Pictbeen (Trudgill), B.V. (Escott), Gold Watch (Rennison), Vocalion (Speck), Don (Burford). Off at 3.48. (Winner trained by Vasey.)

Betting—9 to 4 agst. Knockanour, 11 to 4 B.V., 8 to 1 each Don and Hymir, 100 to 8 PICKWELL or any other.

Won by six lengths; same.

TO-DAY'S SELECTIONS.

Winter racing at Leicester is usually a cheerless business, and this week's steeplechasing under National Hunt Rules was opened under conditions of a depressing nature from a weather point of view. No fewer than eighty-one horses were at exercise on the ground yesterday morning, and frequent additions to the list during the day appeared to ensure a couple of afternoons' brisk sport, but the principal horses whose names figured in yesterday's programme failed to put in an appearance. The course is very soft, and I shall doubt seeing Holdcroft pulled out today to contest the Harrington Steeplechase under 13st. He would hardly concede the necessary weight to Good Points. There are possibilities in the case of Scottish Archer, who, I understand, jumps a country well. Carrolstown is nicely dropped, and if he puts in an appearance he will probably find himself with not too much to do. Zenon is here to run, and in extenuation of his Manchester failure it must be noted that he was there set to concede no less than 22lb. to Soothing Glass. Jack Boore has a nice weight. I could fancy Scottish Archer were I sure that the Yorkshire division mean business. However, in the absence of Good Points, Jack Boore or Carrolstown might do the trick here.—Selections :—

Glen Hurdle—**Priority** (in the absence of **Warwick**).

Gopsall Hurdle—**Ditchley**; if absent, **Count Tracy.**

January Handicap—**Earl Marshall** or, **Duncher.**

Evington Steeplechase—**Cupid's Dart.**

Harrington Steeplechase—**Jack Boore.**

Wistow Hall Plate—**Phantom Bold.**

COURSING.

DUNSHAUGHLIN—YESTERDAY.

Judge—Mr. Davin. Slipper—M. Horan.

BONESTOWN STAKES—For 16 puppies. Winner, £23; second, £10; two dogs, £3 each.

Mr. Breton's Honey Rop, a bye; Mr. J. M. Collins's Hard Pact, absent.

Mr. Weir's Wee Speed beat Mr. Deane's Dandy Hall.

Mr. McMahon's Meddling Mack beat Mr. Darcy's Deuce of Diamonds.

Mr. Irwin's Irract Eile beat Earl of Enniskillen's Elysian.

Mr. Dunne's Try Once More beat Mr. Brennan's Honey Rose.

Mr. Powell's Poggy's Pet beat Mr. Weir's Wexford Puzzle.

Mr. Rountree's Rye Ranger beat Mr. Healy's Sweet Noise.

Mr. Weir's Lady Lismore beat Mr. Connolly's Legs Alike.

II.

Wee Speed, a bye; Honey Rop, drawn.
Irract Eile beat Meddling Mack.
Poggy's Pet beat Try Once More.
Rye Ranger beat Lady Lismore.

III.

Irract Eile beat Wee Speed.
Poggy's Pet beat Rye Ranger.

F. d. Irract Eile (Kaiser II.—Daisy XVIII) and f. d. Poggy's Pet (Kaiser II.—Daisy XVIII.) divided.

TREVITT STAKES AND FINGALL CUP—For 9 all-ages. Winner, £17; second, £7; third, £3 10/-.

Mr. H. Everard's Sporting Lad beat Mr. N. Duffy's Bemused.

Mr. J. O'Brien's Billinamore beat Mr. O'Doherty's Oldcastle Brigade.

Mr. Keenan's Keen Girl II. beat Mr. Fagan's Fancyman III.

Mr. Healy's Poor Noise beat Mr. Finnigan's First Out.

Mr. T. J. Kearns' Rhyme of the Road, a bye.

II.

Sporting Lad beat Ballinamore.
Rhyme of the Road beat Keen Girl II.
Poor Noise, a bye.

III.

Sporting Lad, a bye.
Rhyme of the Road beat Poor Noise.

IV.

R. b. Rhyme of the Road (Rody the Rhymer—First Offence) beat bd. d. Sporting Lad (Harmonicon—Slievenamon IV.).

FOXHUNTERS' CUP—For 12 all-ages. Winner, £12; second, £5; two dogs, £2 each.

Mrs. Gozan's Off She Goes beat Mr. Kavanagh's Momentous Mission.

Mr. J. J. Collins's Clicked beat Messrs. W. and P. Sweeny's Swear the Truth.

Messrs. W. and P. Sweeny's Sangfroid beat Mr. R. Craigie's Stop Her.

Mr. W. Duffy's Heather Honey beat Mr. J. Duffy's Slievenamon IV.

Mr. Martin's Merry Speed II. beat Mr. M. Duffy's Nozzle.

Mr. J. Bruton's Day Time beat Mr. J. Duffy's Harmonicon Lad.

II.

Clicked beat Off She Goes.
Sangfroid beat Heather Honey.
Merry Speed II. beat Day Time.

III.

Clicked beat Sangfroid.
Merry Speed II., a bye.

IV.

Bk. d. Merry Speed II. (Full Speed—Bryn Grundy) beat bk. d. Clicked (Mayugo—Hidden Love II.).

When the small company moved off from Bonestown to the Thomastown beat yesterday morning the prospects for the second meeting of the season under the auspices of the Dunshaughlin Club were very dispiriting, for it was raining steadily, and the preserves were a morass. Heavy rain all through the night had a disturbing effect on the game, and the hares were all on foot, and when the beaters' first attempt ended in failure the outlook was gloomy. Mrs. Morris's land at Gaulstown, however, responded admirably, and from that on hares came to hand so well that we were able to finish, as at the previous meeting, in the one day.

Apart from the rain and the sloppy "going," it was a most enjoyable day's sport, the trials being equal to the best ever seen on these lands, the hares running with remarkable stoutness through the slush.

The puppy stakes were divided by the litter brothers, Irract Eile and Poggy's Pet, two youngsters who handled their guns artistically, Poggy's Pet to reach the fourth round was set the more difficult task, for he had to dispose of Rye Ranger, the conqueror of Lady Lismore, which latter cut up badly against the Navan puppy. Sporting Lad and Rhyme of the Road got to the last round of the Trivitt Stakes in capital style, but in the decider Rhyme of the Road was two lengths the faster, and won a good working trial well. Clicked, who won the Cup for Mr. Collins last season; Heather Honey, Sangfroid, and Merry Speed II., were the pick in the Foxhunters' Cup; but the Messrs. Sweeny were lucky when Sangfroid raised the flag against Heather Honey, which, after having the worse of it in the field in which they were slipped, beat him comfortably in the adjoining field. Clicked, however, put paid to Sangfroid's account in the third round only to be led half a dozen lengths in the deciding course by Merry Speed II., which scarcely allowed last season's winner a point.

CORK MEETING—WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY.

Judge—Mr. Davin. Slipper—Redmond.

CORK CUP—For 32 all-ages. Winner, £100 and Silver Cup; runner-up, £30; two dogs, £10 each; four dogs, £2 10/- each.

Mr. Kelleher ns. Matthew's Hill agst. The O'Sullivan's Cherry Hawk II.

Mr. J. O'Neill's Jack Boot agst. Mr. T. Garry ns. Lovely Lee II.

Mr. Considine ns. Silent Bertie agst. — ns. Galteemore Banjo.

Mr. P. O'Brien's Ocean View agst. Mr. T. D. O'Sullivan ns. Bagpipes.

Mr. Hoare ns. Friendly Champion agst. Mr. John Bailey ns. Brendan's Pet.

Mr. T. O'Brien's (P) Odd Beggar agst. Mr. C. O'Brien ns. Green Mantle.

Mr. P. J. O'Sullivan ns. Question agst. Mr. P. O'Sullivan ns. Lickanavaar.

Mr. O'Donohoe's Voltigeur agst. Mr. D. Walsh's Warren Wasp.

Mr. Jessop ns. (P) Beauty's Fancy agst. Mr. Roche's (P) Ragtime.

Mr. O'Keeffe's (P) Kerry Poke agst. Mr. Twohill ns. Spin the Yarn.

Mr. McElligtrim ns. Hunting Call agst. Mr. M. Dennehy's Political Chief.

Miss Kitty O'Reilly's Orkit agst. Mr. Buckley ns. Fiery Nell.

Mr. J. O'Brien ns. Croppy Boy IX. agst. Mr. Mackesy ns. Diamond Gift.

Mr. Dennehy's Good Spirits agst. Mr. Fleming ns. Will Rover.

Mr. Cronin ns. Lady Merba agst. Mr. T. O'Sullivan ns. Ileen's Fancy.

Mr. O'Gorman's Wildfire VII. agst. Dr. Griffin's Glow Worm II.

PUPPY STAKES—For 16 dogs. Winner, £30; runner-up, £12; two dogs, £3 each.

Mr. Collins' Fair Hill agst. Mr. Fitzgerald's Flying Jane.

Mr. W. Walsh's Wrestler Plug agst. Mr. J. W. O'Brien's Full Swing.

Mr. Young's Laird of Heath agst. Mrs. T. Morris' Warrior Duc.

Mr. Barry's Brigand agst. Mr. O'Leary's Martial Song.

Mr. Desmond's Ballycurreen agst. Mr. Kent's Twisted Chaser.

Mr. T. O'Sullivan's Cherry Steeple agst. Mr. T. O'Brien's Odd Beauty.

Mr. Kelleher's Knockloona Lass agst. Mr. Ring's Friendly Love.

Mr. Creagh's Biddy Moriarty agst. Mr. Conson's Cross Question.

BALLINTEMPLE STAKE—For 16 two-course maidens. Winner, £25; runner-up, £10; two dogs, £2 10/- each.

Mr. Hannigan's Banner Again agst. Mr. Drake's Mixes Picture.

Mr. P. Fortune's Legislation agst. Mr. M. Scanlan's Billy the Boxer.

Mr. Forrest's Fox Mac agst. Mr. O'Connell's New Year's Gift.

Major-General Prout's Sheumas Abu agst. Mr. Desmond's Southern.

Mr. T. Barry's The Falcon agst. Mr. Desmond's Frankfield.

Mr. Buckley's Blasting Powder agst. Mr. P. O'Sullivan's Hillside Colleen.

Mr. J. Kelleher's Mickey Free VIII. agst. Mr. J. Dennehy's Still Glorious.

Mr. Greany's Mischievous agst. Mr. Forrestall's Zepherine.

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Mr. O'Connell's Top Gallant agst. Mr. W. Ahern's The Lodger.

Mr. Howard's Hot Coffee agst. Mr. Masters' Brasso.

Mr. Hoar's Gormlea agst. Mr. Murphy's Kilmichael Boy.

Mr. Burrett's Blackman V. agst. Mr. Ryan's Shaun Spadah.

Mr. Gorman's Old Pal agst. Mr. O'Brien's Clonmanna.

RUGBY.

IRELAND V. FRANCE.

IRISH CAPTAIN SELECTED.

W. E. Crawford has been selected to captain the Irish team against France at Lansdowne road next Saturday.

ENGLAND V. IRELAND.

THE ENGLISH TEAM.

The England XV. to meet Ireland at Belfast on Feornary 9 will be identical with that which defeated Wales at Swansea, with the one exception, that C. K. T. Faithful (Harlequins) takes the place of A. Robson (Northumberland) in the pack. The following is the complete team :—

B. S. Chantrill (Bristol); H. C. Catcheside (Percy Park), L. J. Corbett (Bristol), H. M. Locke (Birkenhead Park), H. P. Jacobs (Oxford University); E. Myers (Bradford), A. T. Young (Cambridge University); W. W. Wakefield (Leicester), G. S. Conway (Rugby); R. Edwards (Newport), W. G. E. Luddington (Devonport Services), A. T. Voyce (Gloucester), A. F. Blakiston (Lancashire), R. Cove Smith (Old Merchant Taylors), C. K. T. Faithful (Harlequins).

INJURY TO A. T. VOYCE.

A. T. Voyce, the Gloster and England forward, who was injured in the international game at Swansea on Saturday, was X-rayed at Gloster, when it was discovered that the rib had not been fractured, but only badly bruised. It is expected that he will soon be fit again.

HUNTING.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

THE WARD UNION.

Date—January.	Meet.	Hour.
Wednesday, 23rd	Batterstown	1.30
Saturday, 26th	Ballymadun	1.30

THE KILDARE.

To-day	Blackchurch	11. 0
Thursday, 24th	Kildare	11. 0
Saturday, 26th	Enfield	11. 0

THE MEATH.

Thursday, 24th	Lobinstown	11. 0
Friday, 25th	Corbalton Fingerpost	11. 0

THE MEATH.

Owing to the wet state of the country the Meath Hounds will not hunt to-day.

FINGAL HARRIERS.

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FINGAL HARRIERS.

Tuesday, 15th—Seventh Milestone. A fairly large field met hounds at this popular meet, and although a lot of rain had fallen overnight and right up to the time of starting, scent was of the very best. We found a hare almost immediately in Mabestown, and hounds went off at a great pace over the road into Irishtown, then on through Baltyton, almost to the Ashbourne road, where they swung to the left, and still going hard went through Coolquay and back into Irishtown, then on through Ballymacarney, and bearing to the right re-crossed the road into Mabestown, where scent failed after a capital hunt of 35 minutes. The land being in such a wet state nothing further was done.

KILKENNY FOXHOUNDS.—These hounds will meet to-day at Mung Chapel.

Friday, 18th—Springhill. Owing to the death of Mrs. Baker, of Malahon, hounds did not hunt.

GOLF.

AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP DATES.

The dates of the American championships arranged by the Executive Committee of the American States Professional Golfers' Association are :—Amateur Championship at Merion Cricket Club, Philadelphia, September 20th to 27th. Open Championship at Oakland Hills, Detroit, June 6th and 7th. Women's Championship at Rhode Island Country Club, Providence, Rhode Island, September 1st to 5th. Public Links Championship at Community Club, Dayton, Ohio, June 24th to 28th. Professional Golfers' Association Championship of America at French Lick Springs, French Lick, Indianopolis, September 14th to 20th.

HAVERS AND OCKENDEN IN FORM.

(PRESS ASSOCIATION FOREIGN TELEGRAM.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Friday.

In a thirty-six holes match here to-day, Arthur Havers (Coombe Hill) and James Ockenden (Raynes Park) defeated Gene Sarazen (Titusville) and John Black (Claremont) by one hole.

WALTER HAGEN COMING TO ENGLAND.

Walter Hagen, who won the British Open Championship in 1922, has announced that he will take part in that event this year, and will sail for England early in June in order to participate.

IMPORTANT FRENCH AMATEUR MEETING.

Fifteen thousand francs will be devoted to the prize fund at an open amateur, to be held at Le Touquet from September 15th to 22nd.

I.P.G.A. (SOUTHERN BRANCH).

IMPORTANT RESOLUTIONS.

The annual general meeting of the Southern Branch of the Irish Professional Golfers' Association was held in Mills' Hall, Merrion Row, Dr. G. Price, LL.D., presiding. Also present :—Dr. J. D. MacCormack, T. Travers (Hon. Sec.), M. O'Neill (captain), W. Butler, James Doran, J. Barrett, J. Gaffney, T. Gaffney, W. Holley, J. Martin, W. Nolan, J. Barrett, P. O'Neill, D. Sullivan, T. Shannon, J. Quinn, T. Monaghan, S. McDonald, F. Smyth.

The following new members were elected :—W. Daly (Tralee), and Patrick Neill (assistant).

The Branch Committee were elected as follows :—Amateurs—Dr. MacCormack, Mr. J. E. Mills, and Dr. Price. Professionals—J. Gaffney, J. Sullivan, W. Nolan, J. Barrett, F. Smyth.

The delegates to Central Council were elected as follows :—Amateur—Dr. J. D. MacCormack. (unanimously elected). Professionals—J. Martin, W. Holley and S. Shannon.

A special vote of thanks was accorded to Sir Stanley Cochrane, Bart., for the practical interest he has taken in improving the standard of professional play in Ireland by his generosity in organising and providing valuable prizes for same.

It was proposed by J. Sullivan, and seconded by J. Gaffney, that a vote of thanks be accorded to Clontarf, Dun Laoghaire, the Grange, Killiney, and Skerries Clubs for holding competitions for professionals; and to Portmarnock, Hermitage, The Grange, Milltown, Dun Laoghaire, Woodbrook, The Twisted Chaser, and Phoenix Park Clubs for their hospitality and entertainment in connection with the competitions promoted by Sir Stanley Cochrane.

It was decided that a fee of 2/- be lodged by every amateur taking part in competitions promoted by Sir Stanley Cochrane, and that no entry be accepted unless accompanied by the fee.

The Hon. Sec. tendered his resignation, which was accepted with regret, and it was proposed by T. Shannon, seconded by J. Martin, and carried, that W. Nolan be elected Hon. Sec. (Southern Branch).

The following resolutions were also passed :—

To beg the Golfing Union of Ireland to play the Professional Championship as heretofore (72 holes, strokes).

To propose to the Golfing Union of Ireland to hold a National Championship, open to professionals and amateurs.

That a deputation be appointed to wait on Mr. J. J. Walsh with a suggestion for a national tournament of golf to be held in conjunction with the Tailteann Games. The Hon. Sec. to write and inquire if Mr. Kelleher's Mickey Free VIII. agst. Mr. J. Dennehy's Still Glorious.

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BOXING.

BAKER v. PALMER.

At Hoxton Baths, London, yesterday, that promising feather-weight, Teddy Baker, of Walworth, met Billy Palmer (St. George's), son of the famous Pedler Palmer, in a 15-rounds contest, and won after a splendid fight in the twelfth round, when the referee stopped the bout. Palmer, very game, was always out against a clever rival. He was down in the first round, and three times in the third, but fought splendidly, and carried on a grim struggle to the twelfth round, when he was well beaten, and the referee employed the closure.

AT THE RING.

There was an interesting 20-rounds feather-weight contest at the Ring, Blackfriars, last night, between Phil Bond (Lambeth) and Van Dyk, the Dutch champion., Bond was the cleverer and won on points.

BILLIARDS.

SMITH v. NEWMAN.

Continuing their match of 16,000 up at Piccadilly yesterday Newman added to his advantage in the afternoon, scoring 915 points, against Smith's 624. At night, also, Newman was in the ascendant. His breaks for the day included 504 and 415, Smith's best being 234 and 205. Closing scores :—Newman (in play), 9,535; Smith, 8,395.

THE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

In the Southern qualifying competition for this event at Soho square, London, yesterday, J. Graham Symes, an old holder of the title, qualified for the contest proper by beating N. Wigens by 1,000 against 245.

PLUMPTON RACES.

MEETING MAY NOT BE HELD.

We are informed that the Stewards of the Plumpton Meeting, fixed for Wednesday and Thursday next, having considered the position, and the impossibility of getting horses to the course, are of opinion that if the railway strike continues it will be impossible to hold the meeting.

A definite decision will be arrived at at 12 noon to-day.

HOCKEY.

IRISH LADIES' UNION.

The following fixtures have been made for the coming season :—

INTER-PROVINCIAL MATCHES.

January 31st, February 1st and 2nd—At Alexandra College field, Milltown Station, Dublin.

January 31st—Connaught v. Leinster and Munster v. Ulster.

February 1st—Munster v. Leinster and Ulster v. Connaught.

February 2nd—Connaught v. Munster and Leinster v. Ulster.

Matches to start at 2 o'clock and 3 o'clock respectively.

February 20th—Ireland v. American Touring Team. In Cork.

March 5th—Ireland v. England. In Bristol.

March 7th-9th—Tournament International. London.

March 29th—Ireland v. Scotland. In Dublin.

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY ENGLISH TOUR.

Dublin University opened their English tour yesterday with the match against Cambridge. The game was played in a downpour on an extremely heavy ground. The visitors were overmatched, and Cambridge were easy winners. Eyre scored their two goals for the visitors. Result :—

Cambridge University	7
Dublin University	2

LEINSTER LADIES' TRIAL MATCH.

The following have been selected for the trial for the Interprovincial XI. on Thursday, 24th, at Y.M.C.A. ground, Claremont road, at 3.45 :—

Coloured Tunics—Misses Watson (Trinity); Lynch (Maids), Mrs. Pickeman (Monkstown); Misses H. Dilworth (Old College), Taylour (Monkstown), Mullegan (Old College); Philips (Old College), Wallis (Maids), Hornidge (Monkstown), M'Cann (Maids), McVeagh (Old College).

Navy Tunics—Mrs. Marks (Maids); Misses O'Reilly (Maids), Levingston (Trinity); McGloughlin (Muckross), O'Kelly (Maids), Mahony (Monkstown); Perrin (Optimists), Porter (Old College), Dunne (Optimists), Gick (Monkstown), Thrift (Trinity).

Subs.—Miss Nagle (Muckross), U. O'Loughlin (Old College), M. Mahony (Maids), Hall (Alexandra), Byrne (Maids).

Players not able to turn out must notify the Hon. Secretary, Miss I. K. Darling. 'Phone Dun Laoghaire 133 at once.

CONNAUGHT CUP (LADIES) FINAL.—Athlone, 4 goals; Galway, 3 goals.

Maids of the Mountain H.C.—General practice, 2.30, Foxrock, to-day.

Maids 1st v. 2nd A.—Players please note this match is arranged to be played on Thursday, as the Leinster Ladies' Trials are fixed for that day.

Old College 1st v. Maids (Senior Cup).—Played on Saturday, and resulted in a draw of 2 goals all.

Old College 2nd v. Maids 2nd B (Middle Badges).—Played at Milltown on Saturday, and resulte in a win for Old College by 5 goals to nil.

PRODUCE AND FOOD.

CATTLE

LONDON METROPOLITAN CATTLE, Monday.—Entries of fat beasts on limited scale, and good demand prevailed at fully steady rates. Devons and Herefords sold 80/- to 84/-, and heavy bulls 4/6. Sheep supplies were rather larger, an increase of 400 being penned; demand proved fairly active and rates were occasionally 2s. dearer; down wethers and cross breds both 11/6, cwes 7/, Scottish sheep 11/- to 11/6, all per stone of 8lbs. to sink the offal. Total supplies 300 beasts and 7,967 sheep.

BIRKENHEAD, Monday.—Owing to the railway strike there were no country buyers present to-day, and in consequence trade was very restricted. Where sales could be effected polled bullocks and heifers made 91d., grassfeds and secondary descriptions 8¾d. to 9d., cows and bulls 5d. to 7d. per lb., sinking the offal. Supply of fat lambs and sheep was limited, and trade maintained. Birkenhead dressed beef—Trade slow; best sides made 8½d. to 9d., exceptional and secondary beef 8d. to 8½d. per lb.

HULL, Monday.—Supplies badly affected by strike. Very poor show; only 90 beasts in market, 5,200 sheep, 502 pigs. From Ireland, 240 cattle, 1,600 sheep. Prime seconds 12/-, cows 11/6 to 12/-. Sheep trade—Hoggs 1/5 per lb., ewes 1/-. Small pork 11/- per stone, large 8/-. No trade.

GLASGOW, Monday.—Hegarty and Kelly report average supplies of Irish fat cattle at Merklands to-day (Monday). There was a steady demand for all classes at prices similar to last week's rates.—(Advt.)

GRAIN.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES.—BALTIC, Monday.—WHEAT—Cargo market quiet, but sellers adhere to steady prices. No. 2 Northern Manitoba February-March sellers 47/6, No. 2 ditto 46/3, Australian January-February 46/9, Rosafe 63lbs. afloat 46/-, Argentine January-February 46/6. Parcels firm with fair demand for North American grades; No. 1 Northern Manitoba January-February sold 46/6, February-March 46/3, April-May 46/1½ to 45/-; Australian January-February sellers 46/-. Rosafe 63lbs. ditto 44/3 per 480lbs. MAIZE cargoes firm but quiet; Plate January-February sellers 39/-, April-May 38/6, May-June 34/9, Gal.-Fox February-March 39/6. Parcels steady but inactive; Plate January-February quoted 40/6, March-April 37/6, April-May 34/6, May-June 34/-, Gal.-Fox January 39/6 red March-April, February 41/6 per 480lbs. BARLEY—Cargoes in good request at about late rates; Dan.-Bess.-Kus. January sellers 33/6, Karachi January 32/9, Black Sea February 33/- per 400lbs. Parcels quiet and nominally unaltered. OATS steady; Plate f.a.q. January-February 145/- to 200/-; American, long cut 84/- to 88/-, short cut 88/- to 94/- per cwt. RYE—American remains firm on short supplies. Ir

FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES.

IRISH STOCK EXCHANGES.

DUBLIN.

FUNDS GENERALLY IRREGULAR. BANK STOCK AGAIN BUOYANT. TEXTILES HARDER. PARENT TYRES WANTED.

Business was generally poor in volume on 'Change, with quite a lot of irregular price movements. National Loan Stock was rather firmer, but in British Funds War Loan 5 p.c. and Funding Loan were much weaker. India Stocks rallied. The feature once more on 'Change was the buoyancy of Bank of Ireland Stock, which had a further most important advance, and closed at best point. Hibernians and Nationals were harder, and Royals were wanted. Breweries and Distilleries were a shade easier, and Marconi Shares were flat. Steam Stocks were idle. Home Rails were, on the whole, quietly supported about last prices. Trams were neglected. Parent Tyre Shares advanced further. Dunlop Rubber Ord. were dull. Textiles were better, but Tobaccos were a shade easier. Lever Bros. 8 p.c. Pref. fell back to par, but the 7 p.c. Pref. were better. Alliance Gas remain in request. Burke Debs. were firmer, but *Irish Times* Pref. relapsed a little. Radio Corporation Ord. Shares were actively supported and improved.

In Government National Loan the fully-paid rose ¼ to 97½, but the Deed Stock fell ¼ to 97⅛, while the £60 scald Scrip repeated 1 prem.

British Funds were busy. Consols fell 1/16 to 54⅜, War Loan 4½ p.c. ¼ to 95⅝, ditto 5 p.c. ¼ to 99⅛ 1/16 after dealing at 99 1/16-99. Funding Loan 1 to 84½, and Irish Land 3 p.c. ¼ to 60⅜, while War Loan 4 p.c. rose 1/16 to 101 1/16. Local Loans ⅛ to 65¼, and India 3 p.c. ¼ to 54⅜. Bray Township 3½ p.c. Stock was bid for at 62½.

Banks were very good, especially Bank of Ireland Stock, which rose a further 6 to 271, after all offered at 270 was absorbed; Hibernians 1/8 to 7 1/8, and Nationals ¼ to 19⅜.

In Breweries and Distilleries, Guinness Ord. fell 1/8 to 40 1/8, but at the later market rose to 40⅜ again; Castlebellingham Ord. 2s. 6d. to 82s. 6d., and Dublin Distillers Ord. 6d. to 25s., while Dunvilles repeated 11½.

As regards Home Rails, Great Northern Ord. rose ¼ to 66, but the Guaranteed fell 1¼ to 63 and the Debs. repeated 72½, Great Southern Ord. 43⅜, ditto Guaranteed 60½, ditto Debs. 70½, and Midland Great Western 4 p.c. Pref. 52. Great Southern Colloney Extension rose 3s. 6d. to 5. Midland Great Western Ord. changed hands to a limited extent at 37.

Parent Tyre Ord. rose 9d. to 15s. 9d., and Dunlop Rubber Ord. were quiet at 8s. 4d.

Alliance Gas were better at 6½ ⅜ nominally.

Marconi Ord. were depressed, and were sold at 38s. 6d., but Radio Common was in good demand.

In Drapery Shares, Ferrier Pollock Debs. were called 60 to 65 nominally.

Among Manufacturing Shares, British-American Tobacco rose 3d. to 98s. 9d. Imperials realised 68s. 9d. Textiles were mostly harder. Coats Ord. opened 9d. better at 60s. 6d., but later 60s. was called, both for exceptional lots. Calicos improved 3d. to 31s. 6d., and Cottons 6d. to 49s. 9d. Spinners fell 6d. to 45s., and Courtaulds 4½d. to 59s. 7½d. Lever Bros. 7 p.c. Pref. rose 3d. to 20s. 4½d., 20s. 6d., but the 8 p.c. Pref. fell 3d. to 20s.

In Trading, etc., Burke Debs. rose ¼ to 8. Dockrell Pref. were bid for at 14s. 6d. *Irish Times* Pref. fell 1s. 6d. to 66s. 6d.

Other business done included Radio Corporation, which rose 1s. 3d. to 20s. 3d., 20s. 7½d., 20s. 6d., and the Prefd. realised 18s. 9d.

BUSINESS DONE AT ALL SESSIONS.

Transactions for cash marked "c."

Nat. Loan.....(97⅜)	97½	G.S.W. Ord....(48½)	48¾
Do. Def.....(97⅛)	97⅜	Do. Guar.....(60½)	60¾
Do. (£60 paid)	70¼	Do. Deb.....(70)	70¼
(1 pm.) 1 pm.		M.G.W. Ord....(36⅜)	*37
Consols .....(54⅛)	54⅜	Do. 4% Pref.....(52)	52
4½% War Loan.(96)	95⅞	Colloney Bar...(96/6)	5
5% War Loan.(99⅛)	99⅛	Parent Ord...(15/9)	16/9
2 pm.	⅛	Dunlops .....(8/3)	8/4
4% War Ln.(101⅛)	101⅞	Alliance Gas...(6⅜)	6½
Funding Loan..(85½)	84⅝		64a
5% War Bonds...102		Ferrier Pollock Deb.	
War Bonds 1929....104⅛			60b 65a
3% Land Stock..(61)	60⅞	Armstrong Pf.(6/7½)	*6/6
Local Loans..(63¼)	63⅝	B.A.T. .....(98/6)	*98/3
India 3% .....(53½)	54⅛	Imp. Tob.....(69/3)	68/9
Bray Stock.....(63)	62½b	Calicos .....(31/3)	*31/6
Bank of Ireland		Coats..(59/9) *60/6	*60/-
	(265) *270c *1c	Cottons .....(49/3)	49/9
Hibernian .....(7)	7⅛	Courtaulds....(60/6)	59/7½
National .....(19¼)	19⅜	Spinners .....(45/6)	*45/9
Castlebellingham Brew.		Lever 7% (20/3)	20/4½ /6
	(85/-) *82/6	Do. 8% .....(20/3)	20/-
Dublin Dist.	(25/6) *25/-	Burke Deb.....(7⅛)	8
Dunville .....(11)	11	Dockrell Pf..(14/6)	14/6b
Guinness.....(40⅛)	40⅜ *		(68/-) 66/6
Do. Pref.....(11⅛)	11⅜	Radio Com..(19/3)	*20/3
Marconi .....(39/3)	*38/6		7⅛ /6
G.N. Ord.....(65⅛)	66	Do. Pref.....(18/9)	18/9
Do. Guar.....(64¼)	63		
Do. Deb.....(72¼)	72½		

*Odd lot; b bid, a asked.

(Last business done given in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS' RATE.

Discount	5 p.c. 5th July, 1923.
Deposit	2 p.c. 5th July, 1923.

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Mining contango day	Feb. 4
General contango day	Jan. 22 | Feb. 5
Ticket day	Jan. 23 | Feb. 6
Account day	Jan. 24 | Feb. 7

BELFAST.

Belfast Exchange resumed business after the week-end holiday with a dull tone. War Loan opened at 98⅛ and closed 99⅛. Northern Banking Co. A dealt in at 5⅞. Belfast Harbour Commissioners 3½ p.c. repeated 74. Belfast and Co. Down Railway 5 p.c. Guar. unchanged at 95. Great Northern Stock brought 65½. Coats Ord. repeated 60s. Cowan Ord. advanced ¼ to 4⅛. Fulton 5½ Pref. marked 3⅜. Lagan Vale Estate repeated 15s. 6d., National War Bonds 104⅞, Land Stock, 1921, 55⅜, Victory Bonds 90⅛.

PROVINCIAL EXCHANGES.

BIRMINGHAM.—Prices moving narrowly and irregularly. Rovers and Enfields firmer. S.T.D. and Rolls Royce drooped. Dunlops recovered after 8⅛. Austins, 2/7½; Bluemels, 52/9; Calthorpe, 4/5; Components, 4/-; S.T.D., 5/6; Enfields, 21/3; Humbers, 22/6; Rolls Royce, 25/6; Rovers, 15/1½; Singers, 23/6; Standards, 48/6; Swifts, 6/-; Triumphs, 30/-; Vauxhalls, 6/-; Dunlops, 8/3; Parent Deferred, 27/-; Harper Bean, 1/1½; Calcotts, 38/-.

MANCHESTER.—Textiles again present a firm tone. Several gains. Bleachers, 47/6-48/6; do. Pref., 21/9-22/3; Collcos, 31/6-31/9; do. Pref., 17/6-18/-; Dyers, 58/6-59/6; do. Pref., 19/6-20/-; Cottons, 49/6-50/6; do. Pref., 19/3-19/6; Spinners, 45/6-46/-; do. Pref., 18/9-19/3; "Slubbers," 8/-8/3; Cants, 60/-61/-; Ship Canal, 8⅛-⅜; do. Pref., 8½-⅝; Velvets, 26/6-27/-.

TEA SHARES.

Market busier; price changes mixed:—Anglo-Ceylon Estates, 47/3-3d.; Con. T. and L. Ord., 3/6-¼; Doonars, 70/6-6d.; Doom Dooma, 70/-9d.; E. Assam, £264-½; E. I. and Ceylon, 42/-6d.; Imperial Ord., 37/3-3d.; Jetings Valley, 40/6-1/6; Jhanzie, £19½-½; Jokai, 66/6-7½d.; Singlo Ord., 61/3-1/3.

Business done:—Chulsa, 45/6, 5/-; Consolidated, 3⅝, ¼, 6, ½; do. Cum. Pref., 8½; Devitaral, 14/9; Dooars, 70/6; Doom Dooma, 69/9, 70/-; East India and Ceylon, 42/-; do. Cum. Pref., 17/9, 6d.; Imperial, 37/9, 6d. 3d.; Jetings Valley, 40/6; Jhanzie, 19½, ¼, ½; Jokai, 65/10½, 7/6, 5/-, 6/3, 6d.; Jorehaut, 67/6; Lungla, 30/-; Singlo, 61/3; Assam Frontier, 35½; Borelli, 72/-, 1/10½, 3d.; Caledonian Ceylon, 27/-; Deandi, 18/9, 19/-; Galaha Ceylon, 32/-, 1/6; Lunuva Ceylon, 32/7½, 5d., 6d.; Majuli, 63/-; Panawattee, 20/-; Peacock and Nilambe, 5/-; Scottish Assam, 12½; Seninjuri Bheel, 11/1½; Yatiantoto Ceylon, 20/4½, 1½d., 4½d.

An offer has been made by the Soviet Government to conclude a railway convention with Poland. It proposes that the negotiations be held in Warsaw at the end of February.

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LONDON STOCKS OPEN WEAK.

A STEADIER CLOSE.

The Stock Markets had a rather doubtful opening, due to a variety of circumstances. The railway strike had materialised, the political outlook is disliked, and foreign exchanges were weak. The tone, however, recovered, and the absence of any selling pressure brought about a small advance in some departments. The tone at the close was quite steady. In the gilt-edged market British Funds, following a weak opening, recovered, but the changes recorded at the close of the day were unfavourable. Funding Loan at 85 fell ½; Victory Bonds also lost ⅛ at 90; Local Loans fell ⅛ to 63.

In FOREIGN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES the excitement in German Bonds continued. There was a slump to open with, but violent fluctuations took place, and then prices slipped back again to lower values. German Threes at 1¼ lost ½. French Loans, after a weak opening, became firmer for a time, but finally the Fives closed ⅛ lower at 22½, the Fours being unchanged. Brazil Funding of 1914 rose 1 to 74, Japan 4½ p.c.'s at 114 rose 2 and the 4 p.c.'s at 94½ gained 1.

HOME RAILS were dull, and apparently the strike had little effect upon them. London North-Eastern Defd.-Ord. rose ¼ to 31½, while the Pref.-Ord. fell ⅛ to 83¼. Great Westerns fell ⅛ to 105. Southern Defd.-Ord. at 37½ lost ⅛. Districts also fell ⅛ to 52¼.

COLONIAL and FOREIGN RAILS were quiet. "Canpacs" gained a point at 175. In Argentines Westerns fell ⅛ to 71. Central Uruguay Ord. fell ⅛ to 51½.

OIL SHARES IRREGULAR.

ROYAL DUTCH STRONG.

Although having regard to the fact that the carry-over takes place to-day and that the preliminaries were in progress yesterday, business in the Oil Share market was only of moderate proportions, and a confident tone prevailed throughout the day. Interest centred on the leaders and a few specialities, but the price movements generally favoured holders. The firmness of the leaders was attributable mainly to the further appreciable advance in the price of crude and to the continued shrinkage in the oil output of the United States. According to the estimate of the American Petroleum Institute, the daily production in the United States for the week ended January 5 amounted to 1,884,050 barrels, as compared with 1,927,750 barrels per day for the preceding week. Among the leaders an outstanding feature was provided by Royal Dutch, which met with a good demand, both on local and Amsterdam account, and moved up smartly, although finishing slightly below the best. A steady business was transacted in Shells, but the price kept within narrow limits and was finally unchanged. The preliminaries in connection with the carry-over showed that Shells were inclined to be takers-in. Anglo-Persians were looking a much better market, and a further improvement was registered, there being indications that option dealers had been caught short of the shares. Burmahs remained quiet and closed slightly lower. The latest news in regard to the revolution in Mexico was responsible for further offering of Mexican Eagles, which again gave way. It is estimated that the production of oil in Mexico in 1923 amounted to 152,035,000 barrels, which compares with 185,067,249 barrels for 1922. It is interesting to note that, while there was a severe decline in the yield of light oil, the output of heavy oil was nearly double that of the preceding year. Closing prices:—

M.U. Jan. 8			
⅝	Agwi Petroleum	⅝	⅝
3⅜	Anglo-American	3⅜	3½
1½	Anglo-Ecuadorian	1½	1⅝
1⅛	Anglo-Egyptian "A"	1⅛	1¼
22/6	Anglo-Persian 8 p.c.	22/1½	22/3¾ +0/1¾
22/9	Do. 2nd Pref.	22/3	22/9
2½	Do. Ord., issued 3½ p.c.	2½	2⅝ + ⅛
90	Do. 5 p.c. Deb.	89	91
2⅛	Apex Trinidad	2⅛	2⅜ — ⅛
10/0	Brit. Borneo Fet. (10/-)	⅞	⅞
8/0	British Burmah (8/-)	7/9	8/3 +0/3
5/0	British Controlled	5/1½	5/4½
6/0	Do. Pref.	6/1½	6/4½
4⅜	Burmah	4⅜	4⅝ — ⅛
22/7½	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	23/3½	24/1½
1/7½	Callez	1/6	1/8 —0/1½
12/0	Dacia Romano	12	12
4½	Eagle Transport	4½	4½xd — ⅛
100	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	99½	100½xd
101	Do. Bearer	100½	101½xd
4/0	General Pet. Trinidad A.	4/0	4/6 —0/1½
—	Indo Burmah	n/a	0/9
15/0	Kern River (10/-)	15/10½	16/4½ +0/4½
6⅛	Lobitos	6⅜	6⅝
18/0	Mexican Eagle	15/3	15/9 —1/1½
18/0	Do. Pref.	15/0	16/0 —1/0
12/10½	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	11/7¾	12/1½ —0/1½
—	North Caucasian (10/-)	½	⅝ + ⅛
—	Oilfields Egypt	1/0	1/6
2/0	Peru Syndicate	2/0	3/0
16/6	Phœnix	17/10½	18/4½ +1/0
1/1½	Premier Oil	1/0	1/6
—	Rumanian Consolidated	11/0	12/3
35	Royal Dutch	36½	37½xd + 3/6
10/5	Scottish American	9/9	10/-
3⅝	Shell Transport	4⅛	4½xd
9/6	Do. 5 p.c. Pref. (£10).	9⅛	9⅜
23/10½	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	23/4½	23/10½ —0 1½
3/0	Spies (10/-)	2/11½	3/2½
8/0	Steaua Romana	7/9	8/0
5/0	Tankers Pref.	4/9	5/3
⅜	Trinidad Central	⅜	⅜
⅝	Trinidad Lease	1¾	1⅞
6/3	United Brit. Trinidad	6/1½	6/7 +0/1½
½	Ural Caspian	½	⅝ + ⅛
3/0	Uroz Oil	3/0	4/3 +0/3
1¼	V.O.C. Holdings	1⅛	1½
1¾	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	1⅝	1¾

BUSINESS DONE.

"Agwi Corp." "A"—12/9½. "B"—12/10½. **Anglo-Egyptian** Ord.—7/-, 7/-. **Anglo-Persian** Ord.—22/6, 22/7½, 50/7½, 50/-; **do. 8 p.c. Pref.**—22/-, 9d., 7¼d., 6d. **British Controlled Common**—5/4½, 5/-, 1½d.; **do. Pref.**—6/-, 4½d., 1½d., 6/0d., 6/-, 4d. **Burmah**—89/4½, 8/5½, 90/-. **Kern River**—16/-, 10½d., 16/1½, 15/7½. **Lobitos**—6⅛, ⅜, 49-64, ⅝. **Mexican Eagle Ord.**—16/6, 1½d., 15/10½, 16/-, 4½d., 7½d., 9d., 3d., 15/7½; **do. 7 p.c. 1st Pref.**—11/10½, 12/-, 1½d.—8/3d., 3½d., 7½d. **Phœnix Oil**—17/9, 10½d., 6d. 8½d., 18/-, 17/6, 7½d., 19/-, 17/9, 7½d., *17/-. **Royal Dutch**—36½, ⅜, ¼, 7½, 6½, 7⅛, 6½, ⅜, ¼. **Shell** (x.d.)—82/2½, 80/7½, 1/5-, 2/6, *80/-, 5/6-, 1/9, 82/1½. **Trinidad Leaseholds**—26/3, *4/9, 5/10½. **Uroz**—3/10½, 3½d., 4/0½. **V.O.C. Holdings**—29/7½, 8/9, 9/8½, 4½d., 8/9.

(*Exceptional bargain at special price.)

RUBBER SHARES VERY DULL.

The Rubber Share market was very dull yesterday, and changes were few. Anglo-Malay rose 7½d. to 21s. 1½d., and Telogoredjo 9d. to 35s. Kuala Lumpur fell 1s. 3d. to 32s. 6d., Ledbury 1s. 3d. to 25s., Kapar Para, 9c. to 39s., and Kepitigalla 9d. to 6s. 9d. The price of rubber fell to 14d. per lb. Closing prices:—

M.U. Jan. 8			
35/6	Anglo-Dutch	35/9	
2/4½	Anglo-Java	2/4½	
1/4	Anglo-Malay	21/1½	+0/1½
4/3	Bertam Cons.	4/2	
2/9	Bukit Merlajam	2/10½	
1/7½	Bukit Sembawang	1/7	
15/0	Damansara	14/0	
18/9	Grand Central	18/3	
1/4	Highlands	32/0	
2/6	Kamuning	2/7½	+0/3½
4/0	Kepong	3/9	
1/5	Kuala Lumpur	32/1*	—1/3
1/6	Labu	27/0	
1/3	Lingei	31/9	
3/4½	London-Asiatic	3/3	
1/5	Malacca	34 4½	
27/6	Malayalam	27 10½	+0/4½
27/7½	Merlimau	27½	
⅜	Mooply Valley	20/0	
2/3	Port Dickson	2/1½	
24/4	Rubber Trust	23/6	—0/3½
⅝	Seafield	14/3	+0/1½
1½	Senadyan	32/6	
1½	Sialang	30/0	
19/3	Straits Rubber	18/3*	
20/0	Tall Ayer	20/4½	
1⅜	Tandjong	32/6*	
3/8	Un. Serdang	3/4	
7½	United Sua Belong	6/10/0	
11/3	Vallambrosa	10/9	

Anglo-Sum....	49/6	N. Hummock	17/0 +0/1½
Bah Lias.....	29/0	P.P.K.(O'pl'n)	18/6 —0/3
Batu Tiga....	32/6	Patalling.....	10/3
B.N.B.L.Trst	9/10½	Pilmoor.....	14/7½
Brieli.....	1/7	Rim Malacca..	3/0
Bukit Glob ...	3/8½	Rub.E.Johore	20/3
Bukit Rajah..	20/0	Sapong.....	28/3
Castledfld.....	4/4½	Sapunah'de.	21/10½
Cheviot	2/11½	Selangor	4/0
Cleoly	4/1½ +0/3	Serdang Cn'l	24/0
Eastern Trust	18/0	Scember Ajoe.	1/4½
Gun.Ceylon...	24/0	Sumatra Con.	19/4½
Glenbervie ...	23/0	Sungei Buaya.	29/3
Golden Hope	21/6	Sungei Choh....	16/3
Java Amal....	24/0	Sungei Kapar.	5/3½
Kapar Para...	39/0 —0/9	Sungei Kr. Pf.	24/0
Kasintoo.....	19/0	Selangor	1/4
Kepitigalla...	6/9* —0/9	Tebrau	27/8
Kembok.....	27⅜ —0 0½	Telogoredjo	35/0 +0/9
Langkat Sum	29/3	Tempeh.....	0/9
Ledbury	25/0 —1/3	Un.Tenlamar.	37/6
Manch'ter R.B.	30/0	Yam Seng.....	1/10
Membakut	10/0		

*Ex Div. † Ex Rights. ‡ Cum div.

INSURANCE SHARES.

BUSINESS DONE IN LONDON:—Alliance New, 15⅞, ¼; Atlas, 16⅛, ⅜; British General, 36/9; Commercial Union, 18¼, ⅛, ⅜, ⅛, ⅛; Employers' Liability, 83/10½, 3/10½; Guardian, 4⅛, ⅛; London Lancashire, 15⅝, £15 13/9, £15 11/6; London Assurance, 8⅛, ⅛; Northern Assurance, 14½, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛; Phœnix, 10⅛, ⅛; Royal Insurance, 23⅜, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛; Scottish Union, 9⅛, ⅛; Sun, 17⅛, ⅛; World Auxiliary, 16/3, 16/-; Yorkshire, 10⅝.

BUSINESS DONE IN LIVERPOOL:—Commercial Union, 18⅛; Employers' Liability, 84; Thames and Mersey, 81; London and Lancashire, 15⅝, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛; North British, 15⅝, ⅛; Pelican, £24/6; Royal, 23⅛, ⅛; Yorkshire, 10⅝.

CLOSING PRICES.

The quotations in the following tables were made up at an earlier hour than, and may, therefore, vary to some extent from, those given in our comments:—

CONSOLS, ETC.

Consols.....54½-53⅝		3½ % Conv.Ln.	74⅜-78⅜
War Ln.3½ %...99-98⅛		Irish Ld.2½ %...	55-57
do. 4½ %.....99-97		India 3 %.....	53-55
do. 5 %.....99⅝-99⅛		do. 2½ %.....	51-53
do. 6 % (Tax free)		do. 5% %.....	99-100
	101-102	do. 7 %.....	110-113
Fund'g Ln.....84-85 — ⅛		Local Loans 3%	63⅛-63⅜ — ⅛
Victory Bds. 89½-90⅝ — ⅛		Sudan 5½ p.c.	107-108*

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT STOCKS.

Alberta 4½ 1943	92-94	Nigeria 6%....	110-112
Aust.Com.5½ %...	99-101	Q'sland 4.1940-50	76-79
do. 5 %.....	103-105	do. 4½ 1920-5	93-97
Brit.Col 4½ 1941	91-93*	do. 6% 1920-40	99-103
Canada 4% ...	87-89	S. Africa 4% Con	85-87
do.4½1920-5...	100-101	do. 6%.....	103-105
Cape 3½ Cons.....	77-79	S.A.Str'l'g 4½-60	81-83
Ceylon 6%.....	105-77	do. 5%	100-102
Natal 3½ '34.....	78-80	do. 6%	104-6*
N.S.W.4½1922-7	93-97	Victoria 4.1940-60	84-88
do. 5½ 1972-3...	99-101*	do. 6% 1923-5...	100-2*
do. 5% 1927-32	99-101*	W.Aust.4% 27-57	81-83
do.6% 1930-40	104-6*	do.5% 1930-40	102-104
N.Zeal'd 4, '29.....	97-99		

AMERICAN RAILS.

M.U. Jan. 8			
—	Atchison	115	117
—	Baltimore	88	90* +1
—	Chesapeake	85	87
—	Chicago, Milwaukee	19	20 —¼
23½	Erie	17/0	18/0 + ⅛
—	Do. 1st Pref.	27	29
—	New York, Ontario	21	23
49	Southern Common	49	51
—	Do. Pref.	80	82
—	Southern Pacific	102	104
—	Union Pacific	153	155 +1

BRITISH RAILS.

106½	Great Western	103½	104½ — ½
103½	Ldn., Mid. & Scot. Ord...	101⅛	102½
—	Do. 4 p.c Pref.	77	80
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Red. Pref..	86	90*
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pref..	98	101
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref., 1923..	78	79
85	Ldn. North-East. 5 p.c. Pref. ..d.	83	84 — ½
31⅜	Do. Def. Ord.	31½	32 + ¼
—	Do. 4 p.c. 1st Pref....	75	78
—	Do. 4 p.c. 2nd Pref....	75	78
72	Metropolitan	71½	72½
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	94	97
53½	Do. District	52	53 — ½
84½	Southern Pref. Ord.	83½	83½ — ½
38½	Do. Def. Ord.	37	38 — ½
34½	Do.	33½	34½
10¾	Do. "B"	10	11
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	95	98
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pf.1924	97	100
2¾	Underground Electric ...	2⅝	2⅞
101	Do. Income Bonds. ...	99	101
103	Do. 6 p.c. Debs.	102	104

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

84½	Antofagasta	83	85
—	Argentine G.W. Ord.....	69½	71½
—	Bahia Blanca	74	76
—	Brazil Railway Comm. ...	⅝	1¼
80½	Buenos Ayres Gt. S....	81	83
71½	Buenos Ayres and Pacific	72	74
69¾	Buenos Ayres and W....	70	72 — ⅜
172	Canadian Pacific	174	176 +1
68	Central Argentine	67½	69½ —
47	Central Uruguay	50½	52½ — ⅜
—	Entre Rios	13½	17½
—	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	65	68
—	Grand Trunk 4 p.c. Guar.	80	82
—	Grand Trunk 5 p.c. Deb.	43	46
—	Do. 4 p.c. Perp. Deb..	80	82
23	Leopoldina	21½	24½
8½	Mexican Rails	8	9
26	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	21	27
—	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	15	17
2	Mexican Nat. 1st Pref...	4	5
2	Mexican Nat. 2nd Pref...	1½	2½
138½	San Paulo Ord.	142	147
84½	United Havana	80½	82½

FOREIGN BONDS.

99½	Argentine, 1886	99	101
71½	Do. 4 p.c. Recessions.	70	72
88	Do. 5 p.c., 1909	86	90
41½	Brazil 4 p.c., 1889	41	43
82	Do. Funding, 1908...	81	84
70½	Do. 5 p.c., 1914	73	75 +1
92½	Chinese 5 p.c. 1895	87	94
78½	Do. 4½ p.c., 1898	78	80
86½	Do. 5 p.c., 1.12	67	69
84	Czecho-Slovak Ln. Bonds	93	95
73½	Egyptian Unified	72	74
23½	French Loan	21¾	22½ — ¼
18½	Do. 4 p.c.	17	18
24	German Loan	1¾	1¾ — ⅛
19¼	Italian Rentes	19½	21⅛
110½	Japanese 4½ p.c. 1st	113	115 +2
93	Do. 4 p.c., 1905	93	96 +1
84	Do. New 5 p.c., 1907.	83	85
54	Mexican 5 p.c. '99	53	58
64	Do. 6 p.c. 10-Y. Treas.,	63	68
2½	Peruvian Corporation ...	2½	3¼
24½	Do. Pref.	24	27
92½	Do. Deb.	94	96
31½	Portuguese 3 p.c.	31	33
103	San Paulo 8 p.c.	104	106*
61	Spanish 4 p.c.	61	63
56½	Uruguay 3½ p.c.	57	59

BANKS.

—	Agricultural of Egypt ..	6⅞	7½
—	Anglo-South American ..	6⅞	7½
—	Australasia	134½	137½
—	Bank New South Wales..	38½	39½
—	Bank of New Zealand...	2⅜	2⅝*
—	Barclays A	7⅛	7⅜
—	British of Foreign Trade	⅝	¾
—	British Overseas	4½	4⅝
—	Canadian of Commerce..	41½	43½
—	Chartered of India	19	19½
—	Hong Kong	127	129 +1
—	Lloyds	57/6	58/6
—	Midland	83½	85½
—	National Discount "B"..	7½	8
—	National Prov. (£4 p.)..	10½	10¾*
—	Royal Bank of Canada ..	47	49½
—	Standard South Africa ..	10¾	10¾
—	Union of Australia	14	14½ — ¼
—	Westminster Bank	16	16⅛* — ⅛

TELEGRAPHS.

23½	Anglo-American Def. ...	23	23½
2	Marconi Wireless Ord. ...	1⅞	1⅞ — ⅛
1⅛	Do. Pref	1½	1⅝ — ⅛
—	Do. Debs.	104	106
—	Do. Marine	1⅛	1½*
3/9	Do. Canada	5/3	5/6 —0/1½
—	Oriental Telephone	1½	2*
19/6	Radio Corporation	18/9	19/3
19/6	Do. Pref.	19 3	20/0 + 0/9

MISCELLANEOUS.

—	Aboukir Land	⅛	1/16
23/6	Aerated Bread	23	24
20/0	African and East. Trade.	27/6	29/6
21½	Alianza	22	23
9/0	Anglo-Argentine Tramways	8/9	9/3
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	60	65*
8/0	Anglo-Continental Cotton	8/0	9/0 —0/3
2⅛	Anglo-Argentine 1st Pref.	2⅛	2⅜
2¾	Anglo-Chilian Nitrate ...	2⅛	2⅜
—	Argentine Northern Land	2⅛	2⅜
21 3	Do. Ord. Preferred	21	22
16/0	Armstrong (W. G.)	14	15/3
18/3	Associated Cement	17/0	18/6
16/9	Do. Pref.	15/0	16/0
—	Assd. Soc. Importers Def.		5⅞*
—	Bartholomay Pref.	4⅞	5⅛*
82	Bass, Ratcliff 5 p.c. Pref.	81	84
1⅛	Do. Ord.	1⅛	1⅜
2/9	Bleaberry	2/6	2/9
35/9	Borax Con. Def.	32/6	35/0
27/9	Bovril Def.	27/0	28/0
19	Brazilian Traction	18	18½ +1½
84	British Portland Cement	81	83 +1½
10/3	B.S.A.	10/0	11/0 +0/9
6/9	British Cellulose Ord. ..	5/9	6/3
25/3	British Oil and Cake ..	25	25½ + ⅛
19/6	B.N.B. Land	19/0	20/0
86	Brit. Col. Electric Rail..	84	87*
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Debs.....	89	92

JAMES J. SCANNELL'S AUCTIONS.

TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), JANUARY 23RD, AT 4 BACHELOR'S WALK.

SALE OF SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, CARPETS, BEDSTEADS, MOTOR CARS, ETC.

COMPRISING:—Talbot Landaulette, 8-cylinder "Vincent Hoffier," 25 h.p. 5-Seater Sedan, 1914; 30 cwt. Ford Motor Lorry, in excellent order; 12 Walnut, Oak, and Mahogany Bedroom Suites; 5ft. Walnut Bow Bedroom Suite, 1 Jacobean Bedroom Suite, with Bedstead to match; Cheval Mirror, Drawing and Diningroom Suites in Silk Tapestries, Saddlebags, and Morrocco Leather; Sideboards and Dining Tables, Drawingroom China Cabinets, Chesterfield Settees and Armchairs to match, All-Brass and Black and Brass Bedsteads, with Wire and Hair Mattresses; Walnut and Mahogany Overmantels, Centre Tables in Mahogany and Inlaid Walnut, several Sets Mahogany Diningroom Chairs, Hall and Kitchen Furniture, etc., etc.

SALE AT 1 O'CLOCK. ON VIEW TO-DAY.

FRIDAY NEXT, JANUARY 25TH, AT "NEW PARK," NEWTOWN PARK AVENUE, BLACKROCK,

SALE OF EXTENSIVE COLLECTION OF HIGH-CLASS ANTIQUE AND MODERN FURNITURE, BOUDOIR GRAND PIANO, CHINA & GLASS, MOTOR CAR, ETC.

COMPRISING:— Renault Motor Car, 1921, in perfect order; Boudoir Grand Piano, by Rechstein, practically new; Cabinet Gramophone, 6ft. Antique Sheraton Sideboard, Antique Sheraton Bureau and Bookcase, Handsome Sheraton Folding Screen, very fine Chesterfield Settee, upholstered in Silk Tapestry; Ormolu Mounted French Table, 2 Buhl Centre Tables, Satinwood do., Chippendale Card Table, Persian Rugs, Dresden Figures and Vases, 2 Revolving Easy Chairs, 3 Gilt Louis Quinze Occasional Chairs, Antique Curio Tables, pair of Dresden Candelabra, Chippendale Overmantel, Handsome Chippendale Diningroom Suite, consisting of Sideboard, Dining Table, 6 Chairs, 2 Carving Chairs, Dumb Waiter, and Overmantel, all to match; Antique Bookcase, Occasional Armchairs, Occasional Tables, Old China, Magnificent Turkey Carpet, French Clock, quantity of Cut Glass, Antique Rug Chest, Antique Sheraton Grandfather's Clock, with Brass Dial; Mahogany Hallstand, Bookcase, exceptionally fine 6ft. Mahogany Bedroom Suite, All-brass Bedstead complete, Wilton Carpet, Antique Tallboys and Chests of Drawers, Mahogany Wardrobes, Dressing Tables, Washstands and Toilet Glasses, Brass and Iron Bedsteads, with Wire Woven and Hair Mattresses; Gent's Antique Wardrobe, Settees, Occasional Chairs and Tables, Antique Brass Fenders, Statuettes, Brass Palm Stands, Axminster Stair Carpet and Reds, Set of Mahogany Diningroom Chairs, Morocco Easy Chairs, Silk and Lace Curtains, Bronze Ornaments, Kitchen Furniture and Utensils.

OUTDOOR EFFECTS—Consisting of about 50 Tons of Hay, 1 Milch Cow, 1 Calf, 1 Cart Horse, Dray and Set of Harness, Set of Silver Mounted Carriage Harness, Set of Brass Mounted do., 1 Pony Lawn Mower, 2 hand do., 2 Ladders, 1 Grubber, Garden Tools, Copper Boiler, Lady's Bicycle, 2 Croquet Sets, Green House Plants and Pots, 1 Large Palm, Glass Frames, etc., etc.

Sale starts with Motor Car and Outdoor Effects at 11.30. On View Thursday, 10 to 4.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH, AT ALEXANDRA HOUSE, GREYSTONES,

SALE OF SUPERIOR ANTIQUE AND MODERN FURNITURE, PIANO, ETC.

Particulars in future advertisements and posters.

JAMES J. SCANNELL, AUCTIONEER AND VALUER, 4 BACHELOR'S WALK.

JAMES H. NORTH & CO.'S SALES.

SALE TO-DAY (TUESDAY), AT 2 P.M. SHARP, AT 110 GRAFTON STREET.

£137 11s. 0d. PER ANNUM, FOR EVER,

Arising out of 36a. 3r. 34p. of ground, situate at Windy Arbour, Dundrum, Co. Dublin, with two Detached Dwelling-houses thereon. The rent is reserved in Fee-farm Grant, and is perfectly secured; the tenant in occupation paid £6,500 for the lands, subject to the rent for sale.

Messrs. W. R. MEREDITH and SON, Solicitors, 32 Molesworth street.

ELM GREEN CASTLEKNOCK.

BY DIRECTIONS OF LORD HOLMPATRICK

First-class Residence standing on about 65 acres of first-class Grass Lands, approached through two lodge entrances, situated close to the Ashtown Gate of the Phœnix Park. Held for ever.

Immediate possession to purchaser.

The exceptionally desirable and choicely situated Residence and Lands known as Elm Green, Castleknock, held under two Fee-farm Grants, one at £73 17s. 9d and one at £12 12s. 0d.

Messrs T. T. MECREDY and SON, Solicitors having Carriage of Sale, 91 Merrion square.

JAMES H. NORTH & CO., AUCTIONEERS AND VALUERS, 110 GRAFTON STREET.

ON VIEW TO-DAY.

SALE TO-MORROW AND THURSDAY, EAST ROAD SAW MILLS, DUBLIN.

THE PREMISES HAVING BEEN DISPOSED OF, WE ARE INSTRUCTED BY MESSRS. G. H. DAWSON AND CO. TO

SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION ON THE PREMISES AS ABOVE, ON TO-MORROW AND THURSDAY, JANUARY 23RD AND 24TH, THE SAW MILLING AND WOODWORKING MACHINERY, TOOLS, BELTING, AND INCIDENTAL STORES, Etc., Etc., comprising briefly:—File Handle, Wood-turning and Variety Lathes, Rounding Machines, Sanding Machines, Cross-Cut Saws, Planing, Scribing, Mortising, Boring and Drilling Machines; 42" Radial Arm Feed Bench, Wood Printing Machines, Wood Wool Machines (latest pattern), Weighing Machines, 10 H.P. VERTICAL STEAM ENGINE, BY TANGYE; Cranes, Countershafts, Pulleys, Wall Brackets, Saw Benches, Oil Tanks and Pumps, Ladders, Trucks, Carts, Belting, Rivets, Cramps and other Sundry Tools and Stores; Office Furniture, Fittings, etc., etc.

SALE WILL COMMENCE AT 12 O'CLOCK EACH DAY.

NOTE—Order in Catalogue not strictly observed. Purchasers to pay 5 per cent. fees.

CATALOGUES ARE NOW READY AND CAN BE OBTAINED ON APPLICATION TO THE AUCTIONEERS.

WM. MONTGOMERY & SON, M.I.A.A., 24 SUFFOLK STREET, DUBLIN.

SALE THIS DAY.

59 PEMBROKE ROAD.

BENNETT and SON, LIMITED, beg to announce that they are favoured with instructions to SELL BY AUCTION, ON THE PREMISES AS ABOVE, ON THIS DAY (TUESDAY), 22ND JANUARY, AND TO-MORROW, COMMENCING AT 12 O'CLOCK,

THE FURNITURE AND APPOINTMENTS OF THE RESIDENCE,

Comprising:—Two-door Buhl Cabinet, MARQUETRY TABLE, Mahogany and Rosewood Writing Tables, Settees and Easy Chairs, in saddlebags; Overmantels and Mirrors, in mahogany and gilt frames; BLACK BUHL WRITING TABLE, Mahogany Dining Table, do. Sideboard and Dumb Waiters, Antique Mahogany Sarcophagus, do. Mahogany Bookcase, Oil Paintings and Engravings, All-Brass, Mahogany, Double and Single Bedsteads, MAHOGANY AND WALNUT BEDROOM SUITES, Steel and Brass Fenders and Fire Irons, FINE DONEGAL, TURKEY, AND AXMINSTER CARPETS, Velvet, Tapestry and other Window Curtains, Pair of Oriental Porcelain Vases and other Decorative China, SILVER AND PLATED WARE, large quantity Table Glass, HANDSOME IRON-STONE DINNER SERVICE, CUT GLASS CHANDELIER, Contents of Wine Cellar, Vacuum Cleaner, Kitchen Furniture and Utensils, Garden Seats, Lawn Mowers, Single Horse Victoria, and other Outdoor Effects.

Admission to view and Sale by card only, price 2/- each, refunded to Purchasers. Five per cent. Auction Fees.

BENNETT & SON, LIMITED, M.I.A.A., AUCTIONEERS AND VALUERS, 6 UPPER ORMOND QUAY, DUBLIN.

NEWBRIDGE, CO. KILDARE. SALE OF A WELL-SITUATED RESIDENTIAL GRAZING FARM.

EDWARD A. COONAN & SON are instructed by Messrs. WALLACE BROS., Ltd., to SELL BY AUCTION on WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30TH, 1924, AT ONE O'CLOCK,

AT PIERCETOWN (ADJOINING NEWBRIDGE RAILWAY STATION),

the interest in Part of the Lands of PIERCETOWN and COMMONS, containing 128¼ Acres, S.M., and held in fee-simple subject to an annuity of £104 12s., payable to the Irish Land Commission; P.L.V., £160.

The Residence, if recent construction, is of medium size, with modern sanitary arrangements and electric light. In thorough repair.

The Land is all in grass, except about four acres, which was heavily manured last season, and is of prime finishing quality, laid out in convenient-sized fields, all well sheltered and watered.

Inspection and correspondence invited. On a later date the Implements, Live Stock, Hay, Straw, &c., will be Sold.

Purchasers to pay commission according to L.A.A. Rules.

Messrs. MATHESON, ORMSBY and PRENTICE, Solicitors, 16 Lower Sackville street, Dublin.

E. A. COONAN & SON, M.I.A.A., AUCTIONEERS AND VALUERS, RATHCOFFEY, CLONGOWESWOOD, & NAAS.

SALE THIS DAY, IN CONTINUATION.

JAMES HILL AND SON, 9 AND 10 BACHELOR'S WALK. HIGH-CLASS AUCTION OF SUPERIOR MODERN FURNITURE, CARPETS, AND EFFECTS,

Comprising:—DRAWINGROOM, DININGROOM, BEDROOM, and HALL FURNITURE, in VARIETY; ROOM, STAIR and LANDING CARPETS, HEARTH RUGS, LINOLEUMS; OVERMANTELS; and a LARGE COLLECTION of CLEAN KITCHEN FURNITURE, DRESSERS, MANGLES, PRESSES, TABLES, CHAIRS, CHINA, GLASS, PLATED WARE, &c. Sale commences 1 p.m. Purchasers pay 5 per cent. fees.

JAMES HILL & SON, M.I.A.A., AUCTIONEERS AND VALUERS, 9 AND 10 BACHELOR'S WALK.

SALE TO-DAY AT 12 O'CLOCK.

115 MOREHAMPTON ROAD.

AUCTION SALE of MODERN HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, Etc., comprising:—Cabinet Gramophone and Records, Bauju, Walnut China Cabinet, Card Table, Chesterfield and other Couches, Divan, Easy and Wicker Chairs; Occasional Chairs and Tables, good Axminster Room and Stair Carpets and Rugs, Linoleums, Plush and Lace Curtains, Pair Antique Gilt Convex Mirrors, Overmantels, Pictures, Brass Fenders, Screens, and Coal Boxes Music Seat, costly Cut Glass Electrolier, Wash Mirror Back Sideboard, 2 Telescope Dinner Tables, Dumb Waiter and 6 Dining Chairs, Walnut 2-Door and Open Bookcases, Books, Dinner, Tea and Coffee Services, Table Glass, Clocks and Barometers, Surgical Couch, Armstrong Typewriter, Weighing Machine, Boudoir Mirror, Elec. Radiator, Walnut Hall Stand, Study, Hall, and Parlour Chairs, Hall Rug, Rosewood Davenport Treadle Sewing Machine, Mah. and Walnut Bedroom Suites, Duchess Toilet Tables, Chests of Drawers, Linen and other Presses, and Bedroom Furniture, Toilet Ware, Screens, Altar Piece, Desk, B. and L. and Stretcher Bedsteads, Spring and Hair Mattresses and Bedding, Kitchen Clock, Mangle, Furniture, and Utensils, Meat Safe, Gas Cooking Stove, Lawn Mower, Garden Roller and Seats, Wheelbarrow, Step Ladder, Fowl Runs, etc. On view this morning, 10 till 12. Sale to-day at 12 o'clock. Purchasers to pay 5 per cent. auction fees.

JAMES ADAM & SONS, Auctioneers and Appraisers, 17 MERRION ROW and 19 STEPHEN'S GREEN.

STORE CATTLE SALES EVERY THURSDAY.

R. & J. WILKINSON, M.I.A.A. 40-41 PRUSSIA STREET, DUBLIN.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on the Premises, on WEDNESDAY NEXT, 23rd day of JANUARY, 1924, the Interest (if any) of EDWARD LATIMER in the House and Premises, No. 11 PEMBROKE LANE, COUNTY DUBLIN. Sale to commence at 12 o'clock.

Terms, Cash.

W. McA. McCRACKEN, Under-Sheriff, County Dublin.

THE WEEK'S EVENTS IN IRELAND are recorded in the "WEEKLY IRISH TIMES." The Paper for Home and Foreign Readers.

DOCKRELL LTD. M.I.A.A.

AUCTION THURSDAY, 31st JANUARY, AT 1.15 P.M.

"DOREEN," SANDYMOUNT AVENUE, BALLSBRIDGE,

WITH POSSESSION.

WE are instructed by the Owner, who is going abroad, to SELL this desirable Detached Residence, with possession 1st March. The House is pleasantly situated in an open situation, with fields front and rear; two-storeyed, non-basement, and easily run. The House contains:—Entrance porch and hall, with cloak room and hand basin; 3 reception rooms, conservatory, tiled kitchen, pantry, china closet, etc., on the first floor. Upstairs—5 bedrooms, maid's room, and attic bedroom, hot bath, linen press, W.C.'s. Yard, with bicycle house. Good fruit and vegetable garden, and in front well-kept grass plot. The House is held for 400 years, subject to £8 per annum. P.L. Valuation, £35. Only 3 minutes' walk from Dalkey and Blackrock trams and Horse Show grounds.

Conditions of Sale from Messrs. COLLIS and WARD, Solicitors, 13 Clare street; or, with Orders to View, from THE AUCTIONEERS.

RAGLAN HOUSE, BRIGHTON AVENUE, RATHGAR,

WITH POSSESSION.

A Semi-detached Modern House, in excellent order, and containing drawingroom, diningroom, breakfast room, 5 family bedrooms, maid's room, hot bath, 2 w.c.'s; garden front and rear. With Vacant Possession. Held for 900 years from 29th September, 1874, subject to a rent of only £5 per annum. P.L., Valuation, £25. Can be inspected on Order to View from the Auctioneers.

For further particulars and Conditions of Sale apply to Messrs. COX and CO., Solicitors having Carriage of Sale, 5 Stephen's Green, Dublin; or 40 THE AUCTIONEERS.

DOCKRELL LTD., M.I.A.A., Auctioneers and Valuers, SOUTH GREAT GEORGE'S STREET, DUBLIN.

ELTON HOUSE, KNOCKLONG.

HIGHLY IMPORTANT AUCTION OF VALUABLE FEE-SIMPLE

RESIDENTIAL HOLDING,

Situate within one mile of Knocklong, 5 miles of Kilmallock, 3 miles of Hospital, and 9 miles of Charleville.

N. MAHER and SONS are instructed by Henry H. Bevan, Esq., to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, AT SALE RING, TIPPERARY, ON SATURDAY, 26th JANUARY, 1924, (unless previously disposed of by Private Treaty), His Interest in his desirable Residential Holding, situate at ELTON, Knocklong, containing 143a. 3r. 20p., statute measure, or thereabouts, of primest Feeding and Fattening Lands, together with Attractive Residence and fine range of Out-Offices and Hayburn thereon, purchased under the Ashbourne Act at half-yearly annuity of £50 5s. 5d., subject to further decadal reductions.

This exceptionally desirable Holding comprises some of the finest heavy rich limestone land in the county, divided into convenient-sized fields, each field having a gate entrance from the main road, which surrounds the Holding, well fenced and sheltered with whitethorn hedges, and amply supplied with water, in addition to two pumps on the Lands. There is also a nicely-planted, well-stocked Fruit and Vegetable Garden, and a hayharn, 75ft. by 35ft., 100-ton capacity. Free of B.O.W. charge.

The Residence, known as Elton House, is conveniently situate to the main road, and is approached through a short carriage-drive, tastefully planted on each side with lime trees, the accommodation very suitable, containing hall, sitting, morning and dining rooms; 6 bedrooms, kitchen, scullery and pantry.

The Out-Offices are very superior, in splendid repair, and comprise shed to tie 40 cows, stabling for four horses, coach-house, barn, calf-house, piggery, fowl-house, etc., all in an enclosed yard.

A visit to this well-circumstanced Holding will immediately impress intending purchasers of its great desirability, as it is foremost amongst the residential properties that have been offered for Sale in recent years.

Private Offers will be received, and if satisfactory will be accepted, up to Thursday, 24th January.

Terms:—Usual deposit, with 5 per cent. Commission on purchaser being declared.

SALE AT TWO O'CLOCK.

For further particulars and Conditions of Sale apply to JAMES T. LISTON, Esq., Solicitor, Charleville; or to N. MAHER & SONS, M.I.A.A., Auctioneers, Offices—CASHEL, THURLES, and TIPPERARY.

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SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

GUNS—Webley and Scott's unrivalled Shot Guns, B.S.A. and other makes; large stock of Gun Cartridges and Accessories; illustrated catalogue free.—P. J. Keegan, Gunmaker, Linn quay, Dublin. 8 19

MULLERITE Smokeless Sporting Cartridges; pressure and speed guaranteed; best and cheapest.—P. Henry, 20 Co. Co. Christchurch lane, Dublin. 25

SALMON Fly and spinning Rods, by Hardy, Enright, and Farlow, with reels and lines; also a few boxes Salmon Flies and Baits. Particulars from Hester, Cahir, Tipperary. 17 B

SHOOTING—The well known Milford Shooting is available for February; Cock, Snipe, etc. For inclusive tariff apply Proprietor, Milford Hotel, Milford, Co. Donegal. 20 X

WANTED, a good day's Shooting, woodcock and pheasant; good price given.—E 1770, this office. 18 C

FURNITURE.

AT Highest Value—James Hill and Son, Bachelor's Walk, Purchase Furniture, Piano, Antiques. T

ALL the Furniture at "Collinge," Hotel, 38 Westland Row, Sale next Wednesday, 23rd, commencing 11.30 sharp.—MacArthur and Co., Auctioneers. 17 B

LAWLOR, Briscoe will Buy or Sell your Surplus Furniture. Auction every Thursday.—35 Ormond quay. T

MIRROR, Adams period, good condition, 4ft. 10in. x 3ft.; seen by appointment. Address "Z 4224, Mirror," this office. 18 C

MUSIC, PIANOS, ETC.

A COTTAGE or Grand Piano Wanted immediately; state particulars.—E 885, this office. 24 11

KEARNEY'S Music, 6d. to 2/-; lists free.—Kearney's, 14 Capel street, Dublin. 20 C

VERY superior overstrung German Pianoforte; accept 50/- monthly.—John Wakefield, Crane's Chambers, 40 Upper O'Connell street. 17 B

DRESS AND COSTUME.

A BOUT Clothes—Mrs. Higgins, 1 Aston's quay; highest prices Ladies', Gents', Children's Left Off Clothing, Jewellery, Artificial Teeth; country parcels received. T

A BOUT Clothes—Mrs. Cusack, 65 Amiger st., gives highest prices for Left Off Clothing, Furniture, etc.; distance no objection. T

A BOUT Clothes—Highest cash paid for all Left Off Clothes, Jewellery, Silver, Plate, False Teeth, Pictures, China, Glass, Furniture, etc.; postcard immediate attention; distance no objection. Telephone, 435 Rathmines. 9 Pembroke House, 35 Wellington quay. T

A BOUT Clothes—Highest prices for Ladies', Gents', Children's Left Off Clothing, Furniture; distance no objection.—Mrs. White, 15 Amiger street. T

ALL French Styles, Costumes, Gowns, etc.—Madame Clare, 25 Nassau st. (first floor); customers' material made up; Remodelling done; Furs Renovated. 18 C

CLARKE and Co., Tailors, 51 Lower O'Connell st., Dublin (second floor), Cut, Make, Trimmed, own materials; terms moderate. 20 C

FOR Sale, lovely Grey Skin Coat, with collar, beautifully lined; also handsome Black Silk Spring Coat; both in perfect condition; moderate. Seen Mrs. Shelbourne, Newtown House, Blackrock. 21 E

GENTLEMAN'S Collars, "West End," 15in., some never worn; also "Matron's" or "Nurse's" Collars and Cuffs; all cheap.—E 1851, this office

GENT'S Coats, three, one rainproof; Suit, stout, elderly man; good condition, cheap; envelope.—E 1919, this office.

LADY, expert Knitter, makes Silk Jumpers from 10/-; also Children's Dresses, moderate.—E 1864, this office.

LADY'S Grey Tailormade Costume, large size; sacrifice, 25/-, 35/-. Irish Times Branch Office, Blackrock.

PRETTY Yellow Taffeta Frock for Sale, never worn.—E 1920, this office 21 E

WANTED, Lady's Dark Grey Riding Habit (side saddle), medium size. Address "Z 4266, Dress," this office. 17 B

HORSES, HARNESS, ETC.

PONY for Sale, about 12 hands, well trained, constantly driven by a lady and children, accustomed to all traffic. Apply to Steward, Glenageary Park, Kingstown. 18 C

USEFUL young Hackney, 5ft. 2in., reared by owner; also Yearling by Axworthy, a beauty; seen by appointment.—Kingston, Portfield, Cowper road. 21 E

YOUNG Mare for Sale, 5 years, suit young lady or gentleman for hunting; height 14.3, good jumper, very quiet. Seen at Maguire's, Mill street, Maynooth. 21 E

6 STRONG Horses, good workers; seen stables.—3 South Prince's street. 19 D

VEHICLES.

FOR Sale, Station 'Bus, only driven few times, with double harness, beautifully upholstered, complete with lamps; all for £30.—Pearson Carrick, Rathdrumer Lane. 20 D

£28—New 12 hand Tonneau Inside Car, rubber tyred, complete.—Slye's, Mabbot lane, Dublin. 19 D

CATTLE, LIVE STOCK.

BRAN, Red £3 10/-, White £11 5/-; Pollard £9 5/-, White Pollard £11; Maize Meal, Yellow, White, £11 15/-; Rice Meal £8 10/-, Barley Meal (ground) £12; cash; ton lots; on rails.—McKenna's, Seedsmen, Dublin. D

COWS for Sale—Few good Milch Cows, also Springers and Calves. Apply to Steward, Glenageary Park, Kingstown. 18 C

FOR Sale, pedigree Sow and 14 Bonhams.—Bandeacre, Dundrum. 8 15

FERRETS, 12/-; a few special liners, 14/- each; Nets, 6d.—Lindey, Rosetta. 8 19

PEDIGREE Jersey Bull, nine months old. Apply Herd, Violet Hill, Bray. 21 E

SOME lovely Half Friesian Heifers, in calf to first prize Friesian bull, calving in spring. Particulars, Jones Henry, Ardtarmon, Sligo. 18 C

DOGS.

AIREDALES—Two Bitch Puppies, three months, splendid specimens, 25/- each; one five year old Airedale Bitch, perfectly trained, excellent ratter and watch, reliable all round animal; £6 10s., or nearest offer refused. Wanted, Aberdeen or West Highland Puppy. Address Colonel Butler, Minaune, Cullen. 18 C

COLLIE, Male Pup for Sale; 5 months old; best working strain, tricolour. Address "Z 4164, Dog," this office. 17 B

COCKER Pups for Sale, nine weeks old pure brown and chestnut; Males 45/-, Females 35/.—Gilligan, Ferbane, Offaly. 20 D

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